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Egyptians agree to extend UNEF mandate by 3 months

Compromise on Hawk deal is ruptured

By WOLF BLITZER
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SHINGTON. — King Hussein's ning to the U.S. yesterday, that would go to other sources for an aircraft system if the U.S. Con- forces the Administration to down its initial commitment to lan for 14 Hawk batteries, has to a new crisis, and an apparent ure in the compromise that had ady been worked out between Administration and the Con-

n Tuesday, Congressional sources ried that the Administration Congressional opponents had ked out a compromise whereby lan would receive only six Hawk aircraft batteries instead of 14 proposed by the Administra-

he House International Rela- Committee which is also re- ving the deal yesterday gave Administration 24 hours to up with a compromise. The mittee agreed to a one-day ponement for its vote on block- the sale after hours of behind- scenes manoeuvring by State artment officials to find a solu- to satisfy opponents of the by the end of the month by sting concurrent resolutions in House and the Senate.

ecretary of State Henry Kissin- was personally getting involved the negotiations with the Con- s yesterday, apparently to ex- s his concern over the danger rupture in U.S.-Jordanian re- ns if the Hawk deal is reduced.

dministration spokesmen have ed that the Jordanians might to the Soviet Union — or to — for an air defence system if U.S. failed to provide one.

nder-Secretary of State Joseph said yesterday: "We have a commitment to the govern- of Jordan. This is a long-range mitment.... I'm hopeful that ething satisfactory can be work- ut."

tate Department spokesman Ro- Anderson said that he was ed that a "satisfactory solution be reached, that would meet U.S. commitment to Jordan also meet Congressional con- s."

n. Clifford Case (R-NJ), the ing Senate opponent of the 14 ry Hawk deal, has said that it ld recklessly endanger the de- e arms balance in the Middle

rael Ambassador Simcha Dinitz, an interview on Tuesday eve- on national public television, that "peculiar things are hap- ng with regard to Jordan and a," referring to the recent es to Syria" made by Jordan. tz warned that the temptation Jordan to enter another war nst Israel will be greater, if it lves additional American arms.

HUSSEIN WARNS: CANCEL DEAL IF ARMS REDUCED

Post Middle East Affairs Correspondent

King Hussein of Jordan yesterday said that he would cancel a planned weapons deal with Washington if the Administration bowed to Congress to slash the $350m. contract.

In an evident outburst of anger, Hussein yesterday said that "under no circumstances" will he agree to a reduction in the quantity of arms under the deal which he said he had already sealed with Washington. He made the remarks in an interview with Amman's "Ar-Rai" newspaper.

Hussein said he would not hesitate to obtain arms from "any source" if Jordan "faced difficulties in getting the weapons from the U.S. within the agreed timetable." He warned further that collapse of the deal would "certainly affect" relations between Jordan and the U.S.

Hussein said that Jordan "is unswervingly determined not to leave its air space open to Israeli warplanes." He stressed that he was adamant in his wish to provide his country with a sophisticated air cover. Israel and its friends in the U.S. "forgot the flood of lethal weapons" which Jerusalem received from the Americans before, during and after the 1973 October war at a cost of thousands of millions of dollars, Hussein complained.

Expressing his astonishment at the Congressional opposition to the arms deal, Hussein said that he regarded the U.S. as having accepted his needs for sophisticated weapons. He said he had thought the only problem in the past was financial — "until sisterly Saudi Arabia removed that obstacle" when it pledged to pay for the weapons.

In the interview, Hussein called upon Arab states to redouble their efforts at unity, noting that Jordan was doing its utmost in that direction, especially with regard to Syria. He also said that Jordan would seek better relations with the Palestine Liberation Organization.

Meanwhile, Hussein yesterday flew to Iran which has been assisting Jordan in various fields, including supplying it with arms surpluses. An official statement in Amman said that Hussein, accompanied by Queen Alia, have gone to Teheran for an official visit at the invitation of the Shah and Empress Farah Diba. Jordanian officials said that Hussein and the Shah will hold talks on developments in the Middle East and the Gulf region where both Jordan and Iran maintain forces in Oman, fighting leftist insurgents. Jordan's Premier Zaid Rifai, who is also accompanying Hussein, said earlier this week that Jordan would by September withdraw those forces.

Soldier killed in raid on Lebanese village

By YORAM HAMIZRAHI
Jerusalem Post Reporter

METULLA. — An Israeli soldier was fatally wounded and four others hurt when an IDF force searched the Lebanese village of Kila, about a kilometre northwest of Metulla, early yesterday morning. They demolished two buildings believed held by *terrorists*, and brought back seven Kila inhabitants to Israel for questioning.

The soldiers were wounded by fire from two buildings. After the wounded were treated in the field and evacuated by helicopter, the force blew up the two buildings, apparently killing all the terrorists inside. IDF soldiers had strict orders not to harm civilians and to avoid, if possible, any clashes with the Lebanese Army or the Gendarmerie.

About 2 *a.m.*, several mortar shells from Lebanon fell into an open field at Har Tzfiah near Metulla. There were no casualties or damage, but fire was returned by IDF artillery. Although the source of the mortar fire was not clear, the Lebanese military spokesman in Beirut hinted the shells came from the Lebanese Army when he said the army had "prevented an Israeli attack."

After the shelling started, Metulla residents spent the rest of the night in shelters. During the day, life continued normally on both sides of the security fence, but several UN and Lebanese Army vehicles were seen entering Kila, and villagers crowded the streets.

Kila is a village of about 2,000 people, *extending to the Israel*-Lebanon border close to the southern Lebanon highway. One of its buildings is 10 metres from the border.

In December 1969 terrorists from Kila village kidnapped an Israeli watchman from Metulla. On January 3, 1970, the IDF raided Kila, destroying terrorist bases and demolishing the local police station. They arrested 11 citizens and 10 Lebanese soldiers. These were exchanged in 1971, when the terrorists released the watchman, Shmuel Rosenwasser.

The three Palestinian terrorists killed by an IDF patrol on Friday, July 18, also came from Kila. An IDF officer in the North said, however, that the search was not retaliation, but part of the plan for fighting terrorism.

Later last night, Reuter reported from Beirut, quoting residents in southern Lebanon as saying two people were killed when Israeli artillery shelled Ein Ebel, in the Bint Jbeil province, at 3 p.m. yesterday. Seven people were wounded, they added.

Deception move

By YORAM HAMIZRAHI
Jerusalem Post Reporter

GOLAN HEIGHTS. — Observers in the North said the pastoral scenes of large numbers of Syrian shepherds and farmers working close to the border here might be a deliberate attempt to mislead Israeli intelligence and decrease readiness *on this side of the border.*

Large cattle herds were grazing close to the border, and an unusual number of civilians tilled the land not far from IDF posts.

Groups of Druse from Golan villages yesterday arrived at Majdal Shams in an attempt to meet some of their relatives from Syrian villages in the area. They reached a barbed wire fence and shouted greetings from a distance of about 100 metres.

atisfaction over extension

salem Post Diplomatic Correspondent

here was a feeling of quiet sfaction in Jerusalem last night the news that Egypt had de- d to agree to an extension of UNEF mandate. Taking their from the Prime Minister how- r, officials preferred to react ly to the Egyptian announce- nt, just as they did a week ago the Egyptian announcement re- ing to renew the mandate.

he wording of the Security ncil's appeal to President Sadat Tuesday night was arrived at, is reliably learned, after much cussion at UN headquarters and ween the capitals involved. The ention — ultimately achieved — s to evolve a formulation which Israel could "live with" and which Egypt, at the same time, could see as a response to its demand that the UNEF not become an instrument for perpetuating the *status quo*.

The wording of the key phrase in the Council's letter to Sadat was: "I (the Council President) assure Your Excellency (Mr. Sadat) that the Security Council, appreciative of the constructive measures already taken towards peace, follows the situation very closely and emphasizes the importance of achieving further progress towards a just and lasting peace and preventing stalemate in the Middle East."

Earlier drafts which had tended to give Mr. Sadat the almost exclusive credit for peacemaking moves, were rejected by Israel, it is understood. The final draft was evolved after intensive efforts by the U.S. and British delegations.

Rabin: Sadat casts doubt on intentions

By DAVID LANDAU
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Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin said last night he was "more than disappointed" with President Sadat's reference to Israel in his policy speech of Tuesday. To call Israel "a dagger in Egypt's side and in the heart of the Arab nation," as Mr. Sadat had done, was to "cast a question-mark" over the interim settlement negotiations, over the very purpose of an interim settlement, and over Egypt's real intentions.

Israel would continue the negotiations, nevertheless, in the hope that they would produce "a change of, attitude, of mind and of rhetoric" in relations between the two countries. Without such change it was "more than doubtful" that an interim agreement could be achieved. Without such change Israel saw no point in an interim agreement, which it intended as a meaningful step towards peace.

In his address in Jerusalem last night to the U.S. *Mizrachi* Women's convention, Mr. Rabin made no comment on Egypt's decision to agree to an extension of the UNEF mandate — an omission in keeping with Israel's policy throughout the past week of reacting with studied coolness to Egypt's use of the mandate issue as a pressure tactic.

The Premier said there must be face-to-face talks between the two countries before the agreement was concluded and signed.

Informed sources said the timetable envisaged by Israel projected a face-to-face session some time in September, assuming the negotiation had advanced sufficiently to warrant a "stepped-up phase" — presumably a Kissinger shuttle — during August.

The face-to-face talks and the final signing would probably take place in Geneva, following the precedent of the Israel-Syria disengagement last year.

Face-to-face talks were held at the final stages of both the Israel-Syrian and Israel-Egyptian disengagements, with the parties sitting at the same table but addressing each other through the UN chairman (UNEF Commander Gen. Siilasvuo). It was not clear last night whether Israel would be satisfied with the same procedure again or would demand direct talks.

The informed sources explained that the Premier's insistence on face-to-face talks stemmed from Israel's desire that the agreement be seen as a beginning on the road to peace and normalization of relations.

The Premier said President Sadat had shown he did not understand the deep roots of the Jewish state in the land of Israel. Mr. Sadat did "not realize the real meaning of Judaism" and of Zionism — as witness his reference to Israel as an "imperialist creation." He did not comprehend the significance of generations of Jewish longing and aspirations.

This was "not a good sign — for the present or for the future," Mr. Rabin said sombrely.

Mr. Rabin said he could not accept the argument that Sadat's hardline statements had been intended for the hardline elements within Egypt and the Arab world. If the interim settlement was truly to be a step towards peace, then Mr. Sadat's duty as Egypt's leader was "to prepare" his people and the Arab world for that step.

Premier Rabin addressing the American Mizrachi Women in Jerusalem last night. (Weiss)

'Talks inconclusive but still continue'

By ANAN SAFADI POST Middle East Affairs Correspondent

EGYPTIAN President Anwar Sadat yesterday announced his agreement to extend the mandate of the United Nations peace-keeping force in Sinai by three more months, until October 24.

Egyptian Foreign Minister Ismail Fahmy said that Sadat had decided to renew the mandate of the 3,919-man UN Emergency Force (UNEF) in response to an appeal by the UN Security Council. The Council promised Sadat it would follow the Middle East situation "very closely" and *prevent a stalemate in the region.*

UNEF's new mandate will now expire some five weeks before the end of the current six-month term of its sister force, the United Nations Disengagement Observation Force (UNDOF) separating Israeli and Syrian troops on the Golan front. Sadat's decision to extend UNEF's mandate was believed to have resulted from the reportedly considerable progress made by the U.S. in mediating an interim settlement in Sinai between Egypt and Israel.

In his second appearance in two days before the National Congress of the Arab Socialist Union, Egypt's only political party, Sadat said yesterday that the American-mediated talks for an interim setlement in Sinai were so far inconclusive but they were still continuing.

The closure of the gap between Egypt and Israel yesterday sparked off speculations of a possible return to the area of U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger and the possible reconvening of the Geneva Middle East Conference or Kilometre 101 type talks for the conclusion of an accord.

But in this context, Sadat yesterday ruled out any direct talks with Israel either for a second-stage deal or an overall settlement. "The current negotiations are going on through a third party, namely the U.S.," Sadat said, adding: "At Geneva we shall all sit and discuss the problem as we sit at the UN. Let it be known that there is no question of direct talks in any form."

Sadat's remark came in sharp contrast to Premier Yitzhak Rabin's remark last night that Israel would sign no second-stage deals with Egypt except through direct negotiations.

Cairo last night announced that U.S. Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim will arrive tomorrow in Egypt *for talks with government leaders* including Sadat.

Sadat is currently making several appearances at the Arab Socialist Union's national congress, which yesterday unanimously called upon Sadat to remain in the presidency for a second term when his current six-year mission expires in October, next year. The call followed indications by Sadat that he was preparing to step down next year in favour of his newly appointed deputy, Vice-President Husni Mobarak, seen a representative of Egypt's young generation.

Sadat yesterday declined to take a clear-cut stand on the ASU call, telling the party congress: "You have now put me on the spot, I had not prepared myself for this" (surprise appeal).

Dinitz gets Egyptian reply from Dr. K

By WOLF BLITZER
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON. — Secretary of State Henry Kissinger yesterday conveyed to Israel Ambassador Simcha Dinitz Egypt's response to Israel's latest negotiating proposals for another interim accord. Afterwards, Dinitz simply said that he had received Egypt's "counter-proposals" and that he would transfer them to the Israel Government for consideration.

Briefly meeting with newsmen on the White House lawn following the meeting, the Ambassador refused to characterize in any way the Egyptian response. He merely said that Egypt's extension of the UNEF mandate was "a good sign." He declined to reveal any details.

Informed diplomatic sources later said that they were encouraged by the Egyptian response to Israel's proposals, as well as by the renewal of the UNEF mandate.

Informed sources said Egypt's counter-proposals include the line of withdrawal it seeks from Israel. It is assumed that Kissinger gave Dinitz a map outlining this withdrawal.

Kissinger was seen before the meeting with Dinitz walking around the White House with rolls of maps.

One reliable source, when asked about the contents of the Kissinger-Dinitz meeting, said that a shuttle by the Secretary next month to bridge the final gap was still possible, indicating that the Egyptian reply was favourable, at least to some components of the Israeli proposal.

Under-Secretary of State Joseph Sisco, who had also participated in the 90-minute meeting, said earlier yesterday morning, just prior to the meeting, that the gap separating Egypt and Israel had been narrowed, "but there are still problems to be resolved." Sisco said that the two sides, through U.S. mediation, had had "very detailed *discussions*."

Sisco, who was interviewed over CBS "Morning News," said: "This is a very complex issue, but I think that the one thing I can say is what really I've said: That we're making progress, we are down to rather specific detail, and I remain hopeful."

Dinitz told reporters that he would not be returning to Israel to meet with Prime Minister Rabin and the Cabinet. But he did note that the Cabinet would now have to examine the Egyptian counter-proposal.

Dinitz said that the Israeli response would probably be made within a "couple of days."

There was no immediate explanation given to newsmen why the meeting had taken place at the White House instead of at the State Department. Dinitz said yesterday that President Ford had not participated in the session. Kissinger also serves as the President's adviser on national security affairs and maintains a separate office at the White House.

American officials were cautiously expressing some optimism yesterday morning about the chances for another successful agreement, but were insisting that problems still remained.

Sisco said that the negotiations "have not moved as rapidly as we would have wished since the suspension of the negotiations last March." He added, however, that "we are making progress and the process is continuing."

Sisco confirmed that the U.S. would consider dispatching technicians to operate the early warning stations in Sinai.

"We don't have any formal proposal from either side in this regard," he said. "But let me say this, that if we are asked to provide technicians, whether they be of a civilian type or a military type, to perform certain technical

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Allon: Won't be scared into concessions

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Foreign Minister Yigal Allon warned yesterday that Israel's expulsion from the General Assembly would damage the UN's role in Middle East peacemaking. He said too that Egypt would not frighten Israel into making further concessions on the Sinai front by threatening the existence of the UN peacekeeping force there.

Allon was speaking in the Knesset in reply to three motions for the agenda on Arab activity to expel Israel from the UN by Micha Harish (Labour), Eliezer Avtebi (NRP) and Shmuel Tamir (Free Centre wing of Likud) and on a motion referring to Sadat's declaration that he would not renew the mandate of the UN peacekeeping force in Sinai by Yitzhak Shamir (Likud).

Israel would cease to cooperate with UN operations in the Mideast if the General Assembly backed an Arab move to suspend Israel's participation in its September session, he said.

On Sadat's manoeuvring over the UN force, Allon said: "Whatever concessions we are prepared to make within the framework of the peace effort we shall make without threats and pressures. And *those concessions we feel we cannot* make we cannot be forced to make under threats or pressure."

He said: "The unshaken authority and undisturbed existence of the UN force is an integral part of the separation of forces agreement with Egypt which Israel has been observing scrupulously on the basis of reciprocity. If Egypt wishes to honour its part of the agreement, it must honour and respect the existence of the UN force."

U.S. army items to Libya, Syria

WASHINGTON (Reuter). — The U.S. sold nearly $4m. worth of military equipment to Libya and Syria last year, Congressman Les Aspin disclosed yesterday.

The Wisconsin Democrat said according to documents filed with Congress by the State Department, that Libya bought 75 speech scramblers *for secure communications, 500 mine* detectors, $1m. worth of aircraft support equipment and four engines for C-130 jet air transports worth $866,600.

AFTER MIDNIGHT

The British Broadcasting Corporation said last night that it was ending its news operation in India and withdrawing New Delhi correspondent Mark Tully because it found censorship rulings unacceptable.

Security Council to meet on UNEF extension

UNITED NATIONS (UPI). — The Security Council was expected to meet either last night or this morning to authorize the continuation of the UNEF buffer force in Sinai.

Ambassador Eugerio Plaja of Italy, president of the Security Council for July, began consultations with the individual members of the 15-member body yesterday afternoon. An official U.N. spokesman said he expected to convene the Council either yesterday or today.

Saudia to loan France $1,000m.

PARIS (Reuter). — Saudi Arabia is ready to grant a $1,000m. loan to France as part of a financial agreement between the two countries, French officials said yesterday.

Middle East foreign assistance package to Congress only after accord on Sinai

By WOLF BLITZER
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ASHINGTON. — The U.S. Administration will soon present Congress th its Middle East foreign aid ckage *for the 1976 fiscal year.*

Originally, this proposal should ve been submitted in April or ay, but the Administration's "reassessment" of Middle East policy, ich resulted from Secretary of ate Henry Kissinger's unsuccess- l shuttle negotiations last March, s delayed action.

President Ford is awaiting devepments in the present negotiations er another interim accord in Sinai fore committing the Administra- n to specific sums for Israel, gypt, Syria and Jordan — the prinpal recipients of U.S. aid in the ddle East. The Administration's onomic assistance proposal for the st of the world was presented to ongress three months ago.

The President will no doubt wait til the Israeli-Egyptian negotiaons are completed before submitng the Middle East aid portion to ongress. Foreign aid, obviously, is ing held over Israel's head as lerage.

Congress therefore will probably ve to wait until September bere receiving Ford's proposals. During August, Congress is not in session because of the summer recess.

Under U.S. law, the President's foreign aid programme is merely a recommendation, which Congress can increase, decrease, defeat or approve. The Administration, usually worried about Arab reaction to large aid proposals for Israel, has historically requested small sums *for* Israel, aware that Israel's many supporters in Congress would eventually increase them.

Last year, for example, the Administration requested merely $50m. in grant economic aid for Israel. Congress later raised it to $359.5m. On the military side, the Administration asked that Congress approve $300m. for Israel, but all of it in military credit sales (*loans*). Congress subsequently determined that $100m. of that figure should be given to Israel in the form of an outright grant.

U.S. foreign aid recipients submit their requests to the State Department several months before the President sends his aid message to Congress. This year, Israel's request totalled some $2,500m. for economic and military grants and loans — a figure that has been widely reported in the press without any differentiation being made to grants and loans.

Kissinger has reportedly assured Israeli officials that a substantial part of this sum will be forthcoming, *if Israel and Egypt work out* another agreement. But he is said to have avoided committing the Administration to a specific amount.

But this $2,500m. figure inaccurately represents what Israel is requesting from the United States in actual U.S. expenditures. Much of the entire economic and military aid request, for example, is in the form of loans, repaid later by Israel with interest. Other portions of the package are simply guarantees, where the U.S. Government is not required to provide any funds. The breakdown of the Israeli request is as follows:

- $1,800m. in military grants and loans, an exact proportion of which is later determined jointly by the Administration and Congress. Prime Minister Rabin recently said that this sum would probably be equally divided between loans and grants.
- $324.5m. in grant economic aid, technically called "supporting assistance." This is the same sum approved by Congress last year.
- $100m. in grant assistance to help resettle Soviet Jewish immigrants in Israel.
- $250m. for the purchase of surplus food, known as "P.L. 480."
- $50m. for housing guarantees.

The total figure thus comes to exactly $2,524,500,000, a formidable amount. But Israel's supporters on Capitol Hill contend that this figure is inflated, and should be seen with proper perspective.

The $100m. request for Soviet Jewish immigrants, for example, was based on the assumption that 60,000 Jews would be permitted to emigrate to Israel from the Soviet Union, as the Kremlin had actually agreed *under the terms of* the Jackson amendment to the trade bill. But the Soviets later rejected the U.S.-Soviet trade agreement and emigration this year is estimated to total only about 12,000.

Last year, when some 20,000 Jews left the Soviet Union, the United States approved $35m. to help resettle them in Israel. This year, the figure is expected to be about $20m. The House of Representatives has in fact already authorized this sum for the next fiscal year under a separate bill.

Regarding Israel's unrealistic $250m. request for surplus food sales, the Administration is likely to request no more than $20m. for Israel. Last year, Israel made a similar request, but was supplied with only $9m. worth. How are these substantial reductions explained?

Israel is not listed by the United Nations as a "most severely affected (MSA)" nation, where starvation is rampant. Under legislation approved by Congress last year, 70 per cent of America's $1,200,000m. humanitarian "food for peace" programme must go to MSA states. The remaining $350m. can, thereafter, be divided ahong the rest of the world. But, obviously, Israel is unlikely to receive $250m. of it.

U.S. housing guarantees is another category where the United States does not expend funds. Under this programme, Israel can borrow mortgage money from private or commercial lenders in the U.S., at the going interest rate. The U.S. Government merely guarantees repayment by Israel. Over the years, the U.S. Government has never had to cover an unpaid Israeli debt. In addition, Israel must pay the U.S. Agency for International De-

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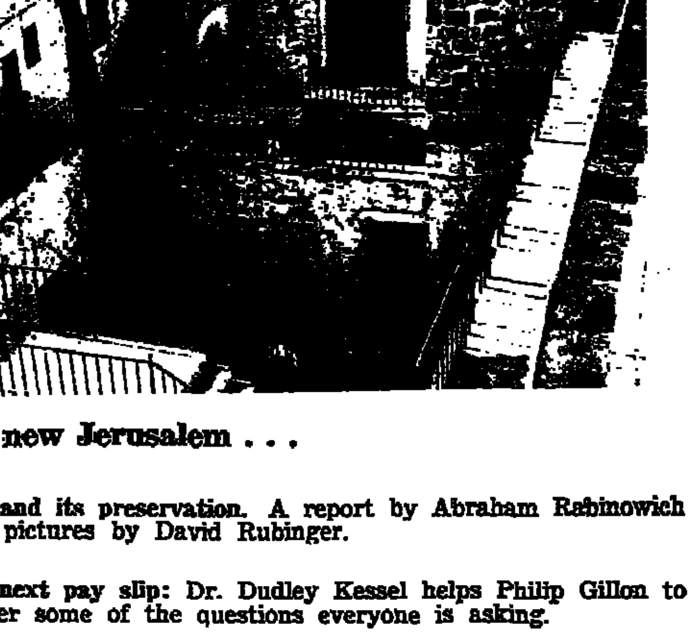

Old new Jerusalem . . .

. . . and its preservation. A report by Abraham Rabinowich with pictures by David Rubinger.

You next pay slip: Dr. Dudley Kessel helps Philip Gillon to answer some of the questions everyone is asking.

Guidelines for security: Martin van Creveld suggests some criteria to guide our negotiators in drawing up final borders.

A thorn in the bear's flesh: Prof. Mercian Oprisan, a former Rumanian official, tells David Krivine what it is about Israel that irritates the Russians.

Belts of many colours: Kinue Weinstein learns about the teaching of karate in Jerusalem.

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Social and Personal

President Ephraim Katzir yesterday received a delegation of former residents of the Lebanese-border Arab villages of Bir'im and Ikrit. During the day Prof. Katzir also received delegates to the convention of U.S. Mizrahi women in Jerusalem.

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Knesset Speaker Israel Yeshayahu yesterday welcomed to the Knesset a delegation from West Germany's Young Social Democrats (Juso) organization, led by Heinz Hawreliuk.

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Former British Foreign Minister Lord Carrington called yesterday on Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin at Mr. Rabin's office in Jerusalem.

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The new Finnish Ambassador, Matti Kalervo Kahiluoto, called yesterday on Tourism Minister Moshe Kol and on State Comptroller Yitzhak Nebenzahl.

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Border policemen Ya'acov Levy and Dalia Nahum, who on Friday caught two Arab terrorists trying to smuggle explosives into Ben-Gurion Airport, were tendered a letter of thanks by airport personnel yesterday morning in a modest ceremony at the airport. Among those present were Transport Minister Gad Ya'acobi, airport director Eliezer Cohen, and the heads of the Border Police.

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Bernard Jacobson, executive vice-president of the National Committee for Labour Israel in the U.S., was entertained to lunch at Beit Tabori yesterday by Uri Alpert, secretary of the Tel Aviv Labour Council, and Meir Ben-Dov, secretary of the Tel Aviv Labour Party branch. Lazar Shupakevitz, head of the Histadrut Campaign in Chicago, was among the guests.

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Over 100 Israeli painters and sculptors are exhibiting their works in a benefit show for the Beate Klarsfeld Committee at the Armon gallery in the Old City of Jerusalem this week which will culminate in a public auction on Saturday night. Beate Klarsfeld will be present at the auction, 9 p.m., at Batei Mahaseh Square.

ARRIVALS

Michael Arnon, president and chief executive officer of the Israel Bond Organization.

Evelyn Schreiber, national president, at the head of a delegation of 150 American Mizrachi Women, for their golden jubilee convention.

Walter Katz, president of the Israel Youth Hostel Association, from a tour of hostels in West Germany, Switzerland, and the Netherlands, to encourage tourism and youth exchanges (by El Al).

BACK TO SAMARIA.—Michal Chen and Avraham Shtube of Gush Emunim pause yesterday during the celebration of their wedding at the abandoned railway station near Sebastiya—site of their first meeting, during a Gush Emunim settlement attempt just one year ago. The several hundred guests, who had come by bus from various parts of the country for the army-authorized event, were watched over by soldiers, police and border police. But unlike their last meeting on Tisha B'Av 1974 — when thousands of Gush Emunim supporters were forcibly removed from the area — the atmosphere was friendly and festive, with the would-be future settlers serving the soldiers ice cream. The bride, daughter of an Ichilov Hospital doctor, and her ex-paratrooper husband said they still have their hearts set on settling at Sebastiya (site of the ancient Israelite capital of Shomron) with the Alon Moreh settlement group. For now, they left with their guests at 6 p.m. (Shmuel Rahmani)

Aguda challenges NRP to leave Government

Skirmish between religious parties over private bill on women's rights

Jerusalem Post Reporter

A skirmish between the religious parties marked the preliminary reading yesterday of a private members' bill on women's rights.

Aguda declared that the National Religious Party should have left the Government on the introduction of the bill, which provides for invalidation of any law conflicting with the principle of full and equal rights for women.

The bill was presented by Shulamit Aloni (Ya'ad) on behalf of nine MKs of various parties.

After Aguda's charge, Interior Minister Yosef Burg mounted the podium to announce that the bill had not been brought before the Government — the implication of this was that the religious status quo had not been violated and was thus not a cause for a coalition crisis.

However, Avraham Melamed, chairman of the NRP faction, said later the matter was a serious one and would be brought before the party Executive.

But it was considered doubtful that the matter would actually come to crisis point, since the bill is expected to languish in the Law Committee, whose chairman is the NRP's Zerah Warhaftig.

In replying to the motion, Justice Minister Haim Zadok sharply attacked its provisions as overly simplistic and not thought out. He said also it undermined the preferential treatment given women on such issues as earlier pension age and the greater rights given to widows (as opposed to widowers).

Shulamit Aloni: That's misleading.

Shoshana Arbelli Almoslino (Labour) to Aloni: You don't speak for all women!

Zadok said the principle of non-discrimination by sex was included in a basic law, "Rights of Man," soon to emerge from the Law Committee.

He noted that the present government was committed to the principle of the preservation of the religious status quo.

At the same time, Zadok gently reminded the rabbinical courts that their sovereign power of decision in laws of personal status was granted them by Knesset law; that they served both religious and non-religious persons; and that the public was entitled to expect that the religious courts would find solutions to painful problems in family law that were appropriate to the views of the large majority, including the principle of equality between men and women. They should remember, said Zadok, the adage of Judaism's learned men that laws intolerable to most people should not be imposed.

Aloni said religious law's discrimination against women grew out of man's concern in ancient times that the children born to him were actually his; the woman thus had to be bound by strict rules. But laws which had sought to safeguard this in circumstances long since irrelevant were still being imposed in the State of Israel: laws pertaining to *mamzerut* (children born out of an adulterous relationship); *halitza* (the requirement for "release" of a widow by the dead man's brother); and laws pertaining to *agunot* (women forbidden to marry until their husbands' death can be ascertained).

Aloni said Israeli women were discriminated against particularly in matters of marriage and divorce. She said too that earlier retirement age should be determined by profession, not sex: a man working at the Dead Sea Works or the Timna mines should be allowed to retire earlier than a woman secretary or doctor with a longer life span.

Asking that the motion be rejected, Kalman Kahana (Aguda Bloc) said the religious courts sought to preserve the sanctity of the Jewish family. Those who were concerned with the dignity of women, he said, should first go about remedying the situation in Israel's streets and public places.

El Al signs contract for German tour groups

By ZE'EV SCHUL
Jerusalem Post Aviation Correspondent

BEN-GURION AIRPORT. — El Al has signed a group flight agreement with the local representative of Capitol Air Tour Operators of Germany for a series of tours to Israel beginning in the winter. El Al denied that the agreement was a "compromise charter," stressing that all flights will be regularly scheduled, leaving on Fridays from Frankfurt and touching down at Ben-Gurion Airport en route to Jerusalem's Atarot Airport.

El Al's contract with the representative, Maof, a company which conducts air tours, follows prolonged court hearings in which Maof attempted to prove that the terms offered by El Al were worse than could be obtained by using a German charter company (Germanair).

According to the agreement, the price will be 510 German marks per seat off season, and DM580 during the summer. This is described as substantially lower than comparable charter operations offered this season. However, the wholesale price applies only to groups of at least 80 persons, and travellers will be expected to pay at least DM9 per day for "ground services."

El Al cited as an argument against using the German charter company that the German government would have opposed landing at Atarot.

Mass Bar Mitzva at Kfar Habad

Jerusalem Post Reporter

KFAR HABAD. — Some 65 Yom Kippur War orphans celebrated their Bar Mitzva on the lawn in front of the village synagogue here yesterday, as more than 5,000 guests looked on.

Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin, who had taken a half-hour off from other matters to come, told the boys they were the sons of heroes and were "taking on the burden of the commandments, of being proud Jews in your own country."

This is the ninth consecutive year Kfar Habad has held the mass Bar Mitzva. It began when their leader, the Lubavitcher *Rebbe*, asked his followers in Israel to adopt the families of war orphans after the Six Day War. Yesterday's well-wishers included Education Minister Aharon Yadlin, Likud leader Menahem Begin, and senior army officers. The boys got gifts from private firms and from army units.

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duties, we would consider it." Before this would be done, however, the Administration would consult with Congress, he added.

Later, American officials said that Sisco was not referring to "combat forces," when he said that the technicians may be of the "military type."

Ambassador Dinitz, in a television interview on Tuesday evening, warned against bringing U.S. soldiers to the Middle East, insisting that Israel wants to rely on its own forces. American officials interpreted Dinitz' remarks as meaning no U.S. "combat forces," while Israel may permit U.S. military technicians to man the stations. Kissinger had in the past ruled out the idea of bringing U.S. military technicians into the area, but the Administration may be modifying its position.

Some observers here believe that Egypt may be asking for U.S. military forces to man the early warning stations, and not civilians.

"I don't preclude an American role," Sisco said, referring to the manning of the early warning stations, "but I don't necessarily expect one. This is an idea that has been discussed, as you know, but I think we'll have to wait and see how these negotiations evolve over the coming weeks."

Sisco said that Kissinger may resume shuttle diplomacy at a later stage, when "there is common ground on the basic fundamental... let me make clear that there are no present plans, but this is not precluded."

Water shortage in Jerusalem

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Some sections of Jerusalem have been experiencing a shortage of water during the last few days because of a breakdown in main pumps sending supplies to the city.

As a result reserve tanks which are usually filled at night have not been receiving their normal quota. Two weeks ago Mekorot warned of the possibility of such a shortage and asked the public to refrain from using water indiscriminately. The shortage has been felt at higher points of the city, such as Romema and Bayit Vegan.

Jerusalem woman, 41, electrocuted at home

A 41-year-old woman was found dead in her home on Tuesday, apparently electrocuted.

Police found Tzippora Kosoff of Rehov Tchernichovsky naked and holding a night lamp. They believe she was electrocuted when she stepped out of the shower, and remained in contact with the current for hours before she was discovered.

Gov't still stymied on budget cutting

Jerusalem Post Economic Reporter

Finance Minister Yehoshua Rabinowitz and Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin failed yesterday to reach a decision on Rabinowitz's proposal that the police budget be cut by IL30m., and postponed a decision on the matter.

Failure to agree on the cut, which Police Minister Shlomo Hillel opposes, is holding up completion of the IL550m. budget trimming which the Government decided on a month ago. But even when it is completed it will make little dent in the growing State budget deficit — now expected to reach IL5,000m., as against the IL1,500m. envisaged when the budget was planned in April.

Leading economists warn that the spiralling deficit is jeopardizing the success of the Government's policy of restraining the economy.

As yet the Government has made only one specific cut toward the IL550m. figure — a reduction of IL300m. in the allocation to the Housing Ministry. Police Minister Hillel opposes the cut in his own budget, which he said would make it impossible for the police to carry out their duties. Until the dispute is resolved, no serious discussions can be held on where to make the additional cuts.

But the State is also collecting less tax revenue than it expected. As the slowdown in the economy has reduced imports, revenue from customs has fallen. The same holds for the purchase tax levied on goods sold.

The Treasury has also been unsuccessful in selling Government bonds. The budget had estimated sale of bonds at IL5,200m. But Treasury officials now expect sales to reach no more than IL4,000m.

The decreasing revenues have forced the Treasury to borrow IL1,500m. from the Bank of Israel. This amounts to printing money even above last year's borrowings.

Some economists claim the Treasury will use the slowdown in the economy as an excuse not to make an effort to reduce the State deficit. In such a case, they say, the success of the anti-inflationary policy will be undermined.

Rimalt warns on accepting 'interim pact'

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The chairman of the Liberal Party, Elimelech Rimalt, said the Rabin government will fall if it accepts the American dictate on an "interim agreement." Speaking in the Party Council here yesterday, he said the agreement had no political significance.

Dr. Rimalt said that one could hardly believe that Iran, which took part in the Islamic conference that had requested the ouster of Israel from the UN, would be a dependable supplier of oil to Israel. Yizhak Modai, MK, added that he had been told by experts that it would take two years to build the large oil reservoirs which Israel would need after giving up Abu Rodeis.

S.Z. Abramov, MK, accused the Americans of playing for time to get over the trauma of the Vietnam war.

Woman loses purse, catches snatcher

TEL AVIV. — The woman proprietor of a clothing shop here yesterday caught the boy who had stolen her purse with IL600 in it.

Rivka Samhor of Holon sold some clothing to a young couple earlier in the week, and noticed that her purse was gone when they were. Yesterday she spotted the young man on the street and questioned him. He offered to return only IL500.

Police who arrived on the scene detained him for questioning. *(Ttim.)*

B.A. nursing school to open

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Israel's first academic degree-granting nursing school — which promises to raise the status, quality and quantity of nurses — will begin classes in October under the auspices of the Hebrew University and Hadassah Medical Organization in Jerusalem.

University President Avraham Harman and HMO Director-General Kalman Mann told reporters at Beit Agron yesterday that students (including men) who complete the four-year course will be qualified for service in hospitals as well as for graduate studies. The new Hadassah-Henrietta Szold-Hebrew University School of Nursing, which has been 15 years in the making, was approved earlier this year by the Council of Higher Education.

Prof. Mann explained that the four-year B.A. course will be a step better than Hadassah's three-year school of nursing, which turns high school graduates with matriculation certificates into registered nurses, and two steps better than the 18-month practical nursing course for students will less education.

The B.A. programme, he added, would produce nurses who are indispensable in today's sophisticated era of modern medicine. Only 7,000 of the country's 17,000 nurses are registered, said Prof. Mann.

Registration for the school, which will be part of the Hebrew University's Faculty of Medicine in Ein Karem, opens on Sunday.

TODAY
ISRAEL WEEKLY LOTTERY 1st PRIZE HALF MILLION
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70% have bomb shelte Peres says

Jerusalem Post Knesset Rep

Defence Minister Shimo said on Tuesday shelters h provided for 70 per cent of population. It would cost tw pounds, a sum not easily to build the remainder.

Peres was replying to bate on the Civil Defen (Amendment 3) which rais for violations of Haga reg The bill was passed to the Affairs and Defence Comm

Priority in building shelt given to border areas, vita lations and the large citi the Defence Minister.

He regretted that the quiring construction of sh new homes was sometimes particularly with regard t and two-storey homes. Th for this lay with town commissions which approv for new residential com lacking shelters, in violatio law.

Knesset body to take u report on soccer violen

By PAUL KOHN
Jerusalem Post Sports Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Knesset Education Committee will discuss within a few days the Sports subcommittee's findings regarding the state of football in the country, and the 16-man "Committee of Experts" appointed by the Ministry of Education will present its report within two weeks.

The subcommittee, in the report published on Tuesday, said underworld elements had infiltrated Israeli football, which last season was plagued by threats, bribery and violence.

It appeared likely yesterday that the recommendations of the committee of experts will be at variance with those of the Sports subcommittee, some of which were sharply criticized by the soccer establishment.

Government Sports Commissioner Yariv Oren said he personally had serious doubts about some of the subcommittee's recommendations, "but there are many others that I wholeheartedly support." He did not wish to elaborate his views to the press before appearing at the subcommittee hearings.

The Minister of Education will have to decide which recommendations to accept. The Football Association is not obliged to accept the recommendations, but it is not likely to regard lightly the stand of the Minister of Education, Aharon Yadlin, who is a former president of the F.A.

The acting chairman of the FA, Azriksm Miltzan, said yesterday the situation in Israeli football was "not as black as the Knesset Sports subcommittee's report presented it."

The acting FA head rejec right the recommendation t season the National Leagu prise 18 teams, instead of 1 the past season. Miltzan the two bottom teams should gated as laid down in the stitution.

He was even more stro posed to the recommenda half the FA management appointed by the Minister o tion. "This for us is a com It is against all democrati that the state force itself voluntary body like the FA were allowed, where wou end?" Miltzan asked.

He also dismissed the cha underworld elements had in clubs. "There has been no this, but if it were proved t elements would have to be from the club," he said.

Miltzan admitted financial arities within clubs, "but t be found throughout the and it is impossible for us about a revolution."

High school fees to rise

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Secondary school tuition fees will definitely rise in the coming school year, but the extent of the increase has not yet been determined.

Reporting this to the Knesset yesterday, Education Minister Aharon Yadlin also disclosed that the schedule of graduated tuition reductions based on a family's income would be expanded from 10 income scales to 20. The expansion, he said, would lead to a fairer distribution of responsibility for financing secondary schooling.

J'lem oppos Labour lead on ballot iss

Jerusalem Post Reporter

By an overwhelming the Jerusalem district co the Labour Party yesterda rejection of a leadership that would automatically ex terms of the 600 members party's Central Committee.

Elections to the party's tion, a 3,000-member body chooses the Central Commit due to be held at the end year.

Only five of the 200 counc bers supported the proposal party's Leadership Bureau.

Opposing views were ex by council secretary Uzi and by his father, Labour Moshe Baram.

The former argued that of all the delegates would the party's public standing tract new membership. The Minister felt the safeguar a certain number of places be approved — on a basis — to preserve the party

Segev veterans who fled give themselves up to police

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — Six young men of Moshav Segev who on Tuesday fled into the forest, threatening to set it on fire if pursued by the police, gave themselves up at noon yesterday. The police had sought them on suspicion they assaulted members of the Movement for the Promulgation of Tora, whose settlement in the problematic and practically abandoned Lower Galilee village has been opposed by veteran residents.

After leaving the woods "at dawn," the men came to the Journalists Club here, while the Tora movement was holding a press conference, and this reporter called the police. Before being booked, the spokesman of the veteran settlers, Moshe Gordon, said they wanted to apologize to the police and the country, but they felt "we have the right to burn the forest which we and our fathers planted. If we are told to get out of Segev, we shall take the forests with us and face the consequences."

Apparently acting under the advice of Ya'ad (a party lawyer was also at the club), they said they intended to "fight to the end" to stay in the moshav and keep the Tora movement "fanatics" out. They would appeal to the High Court against the "renting of the village by Amidar to the movement at IL1 a year," they said. They also demanded the Government intervene and decide the village's future although they said they would only accept a ruling favourable to them.

(The Knesset Interior Committee is to hold hearings on Segev tomorrow.)

The veteran settlers admitted that of the 18 families in Segev, five who live on welfare had asked to leave. But the remainder were determined to stay and revive the village. They demanded they be joined by settlers "of the same moderate religious beliefs and education" as themselves; otherwise the place would be split into two separate social groups that could not become homogeneous. The veterans said 90 "suitable candidates" were ready to come.

They rejected the hand held out by the Tora movement's representative, offering "peaceful coexistence and enjoyment by all of the heavy investments in improvements we are ready to make."

But the veterans replied, "We can't live together. Even if they put up the schools and clubs and kindergartens we need, we can't live under the rule of rabbis."

The Tora movement man, Zvi Inbal, who as a former combat officer scored the settlers' claim that the movement settlers "never serve in the army," said he had become religious only recently, could understand their feelings and assured them that they could live and flourish together, as no religious coercion of any kind was intended. "They can only benefit from our presence. We are stretching hand in peace and brotherho spite the murderous assault made on us yesterday."

(Veterans armed with truncheons, stones and pit on Tuesday blocked the entr the settlement and beat u Georgian immigrants emplo the Tora movement.)

He charged that, in fact, objection was financial, becau were making "immoral profi renting their land to Arab croppers.

Inbal said eight religious f of American immigrants wer ing to settle at Segev, togethe young Israeli religious profes who could only raise the standards. But they were losin patience.

He stressed that their sett was in line with the auth plans for Jewish settlement Galilee and that Segev was to centre for several industria lages. No one had the right and dislodge them from the gitimate and contract-bound pancy of the delapidated and doned houses.

"While we're willing to li brethren with the settlers, we not give up our rights and get he stressed.

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Compromise sought by Labour on direct mayoral election bill

By MALKA RABINOWITZ
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Labour supporters of direct mayoral elections were seeking yesterday to convene the party Central Committee and obtain backing for a compromise bill after an upset vote in the Knesset on Tuesday night.

The compromise would have to be reached before next Tuesday, when the bill is due to come up for its final reading.

What the Labour supporters of the bill will now seek is to push through an amendment along the lines of that proposed by Ma'ad's Boaz Moav. This calls for election by a 40 per cent plurality, failing which the two front-runners would hold a run-off round.

Likud's successful motion during the second reading of the bill Tuesday night was similar, except for one provision: a 50 per cent plurality would be required in the first round.

This is opposed even by those in Labour who favour direct elections: the party's most popular candidates in the last elections — Kollek in Jerusalem, Almogi in Haifa and Peleg in Givatayim — received over 40 per cent, but less than 50, and an indecisive first round would mean the danger of all other parties uniting in opposition to Labour on the second.

Labour's own proposal on Tuesday night represented a compromise between the pro and anti forces within its own ranks. The proposal called for a 40 per cent plurality; an indecisive result in the first and only round would send the election to the city council, in effect a return to the present system of political backroom bargaining.

Labour's proposal fell in the House as strong anti forces combined, for different reasons, to adopt the Likud amendment by a close vote.

Coalition discipline does not apply on the issue of changes in the electoral system.

A vigorous opponent of direct elections, the National Religious Party supported the Likud amendment Tuesday night in a tactical move designed to defeat direct elections on the assumption that Labour would not support the Likud-amended draft.

A thorny procedural problem is how to change the provisions of a bill that has already passed its second reading. Apparently that obstacle will be overcome by a clause in the Knesset procedural rules which can be interpreted as meaning that the House Committee is empowered to change the rules of procedure.

Next week's Knesset agenda, issued yesterday, provides for a "second and third reading" of the bill. This brought a stiff letter of protest to the Knesset Speaker by the NRP's Zevulun Hammer, who stated that the Knesset has in fact already passed the second reading of the bill.

A committee representing Labour, Likud and the NRP is scheduled to meet in Tel Aviv tomorrow for discussion of the bill.

Popeye, Olive Oyl and Bluto entertain children at the annual Jerusalem Youth Capital, which opened last night in Sacher Park. Thousands of youths from East and West Jerusalem will participate in the 10-day-long event, which will include sports, cultural and entertainment activities. There will be Jewish and Arab folklore evenings, puppet shows, a dog beauty contest, a photography contest on the subject of Jerusalem's neighbourhoods, and other events. Special emphasis will be placed on cooperation between youths from different parts of the city. The Youth Capital will be open every weekday from 4—11.30 p.m. and on Saturday nights.

Ministers got loans at 1 p.c. interest

By AARON SITTNER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Health Minister Victor Shemtov once received a IL30,000 Government-recommended loan bearing an annual interest charge of only 1 per cent.

The disclosure — made in the Knesset yesterday — came from Finance Minister Yehoshua Rabinowitz in reply to a parliamentary question from Haim Korfu of the Likud. According to Knesset rules, the reply was to have been given by June 9 at the latest.

Rabinowitz explained that a 1972 decision by the Ministerial Committee on Official Housing provides for long-term home loans to ministers who live in Jerusalem but whose own residences are considered "unbefitting the position of a Cabinet member."

The Accountant-General's Office, Rabinowitz explained, ruled that interest on such loans should be calculated as if the Government was paying the interest on the mortgage.

Shemtov, one of Mapam's two representatives in the Government, wrote to the Finance Minister: "Until joining the Cabinet I resided in a flat of two rooms and a kitchen. Following a visit by a member of the Government Housing Commission, it was decided my home did not conform to the standards of official housing (for a Minister)." I therefore had to exchange my flat for another, and requested a loan to cover the difference in price."

The loan was approved by the Accountant-General.

Rabinowitz admitted another Cabinet minister had received a loan on the same terms a few years ago, to add a room to his flat.

TREASURY REAFFIRMS:

July salaries won't be less than June's

By GIDION ESHET
Jerusalem Post Economic Reporter

Treasury officials reiterated yesterday that after-tax income for July will not be below that for June, despite the tax reform now going into effect.

Commenting on rumours as if the Government had had a change of heart on this issue, Moshe Feiber, spokesman of the Finance Ministry, and Efraim Yermens, commissioner of incomes policy, told *The Jerusalem Post* that the Finance Minister this week sent letters to all Government offices and corporations instructing them how to compute July salaries so the workers' net income will not decline.

According to the Treasury instructions, the net income of June (before the tax reform) will be compared to July's salary, compounded according to the new tax rates. If the latter is smaller, the employee will be granted the difference.

For instance, an employee with a basic salary of IL2,335, Cost-of-Living allowance (as computed last December) of IL1,211, children's allowance of IL144, who runs a government car and has his telephone paid directly by the government — will lose IL256 under the reform (because the car and telephone allowance will now be taxed). According to the Treasury regulations, this sum will be added to his salary and the taxes on it will be paid by his employer.

To this sum will be added the new C-o-L allowance of July and up to IL100 of the December C-o-L allowance which has been paid since December in the form of government bonds.

The private sector has not agreed to this arrangement yet, but is expected to go along with it after the C-o-L allowance is decided on.

If the Histadrut and the employers reach agreement on the new C-o-L allowance within a few days, the full allowance will be paid as of this month. If not, an 8 per cent C-o-L allowance will be paid, as an advance.

Economic observers point out that the Treasury instructions for computing June salaries are biased in favour of the tax collector and the employers. June salary will be artificially lower because the compulsory loan is included in full as if it were a tax. By this technique the total June tax is increased and the net income reduced.

The Ben-Shahar committee on the tax reform proposed that only 50 per cent of the loan be regarded as tax. If this proposal had been adopted, June incomes would have been greater. Since it was agreed that July salaries will not be lower than June's, the employers would have more to pay to make up any losses.

A study by David Brodt of the Planning Authority in the Treasury supports the Ben-Shahar stand. Brodt computed the real tax inherent in various compulsory loans. Regarding bonds purchased by wage-earners, Brodt finds the tax is about 45 per cent.

Keter refutes 'slave-wages' charge by Soviet emigrant

By AARON SITTNER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

A spokesman for Keter Publishing House Jerusalem Ltd. — publishers of Encyclopaedia Judaica — yesterday refuted a claim by a Russian immigrant who re-emigrated to America that she had been paid "slave wages" for her work and was therefore compelled to leave Israel.

The charge, by Irina Vernikov, was made by her husband on the "Moked" television programme Wednesday night. The programme was devoted to interviews with Soviet Jews who had either left Israel or had changed course in Vienna after leaving Russia ostensibly to settle in Israel.

Mr. Vernikov told an Israel Television interviewer in New York: "My wife worked for Encyclopaedia Judaica for two months. One pay cheque was for IL70, and the other for IL200. How can you live on that?... So we left Israel."

Contacted by *The Jerusalem Post* yesterday, the Keter spokesman said: "Mrs. Vernikov came to work for us in May 1973, after having been in Israel for about a year. We hired her as a free-lance editor, working on a part-time basis, and paid according to word length of articles she edited for our Russian-language Encyclopaedia Judaica.

"Her pay card, which I have before me, reads as follows: May, IL305.60; June IL619.71; July, IL708.96; August, IL520.06. She left the company in September 1973."

Rabinowitz called to testify on oversized Tel Aviv bus station

Illegal space okayed retroactively

By SARAH HONIG
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The local building commission yesterday unanimously decided to approve — retroactively — illegally constructed additions to the new central bus terminal, to the extent they are intended for public transport purposes. Commercial use of any of the controversial space was banned.

In another unanimous vote, the commission — which includes members of the Likud-led municipal administration as well as of the Alignment opposition — decided to call Finance Minister Yehoshua Rabinowitz to testify before it on excessive terminal construction. The city alleges that Rabinowitz, the former mayor, was fully aware of the additions, which were begun during his term of office. Members of the former administration's committee which was entrusted with supervising bus terminal construction will also be invited to explain how the illegal building was allowed.

The city engineer will from now on be responsible for seeing that none of the controversial space is turned into stores. The builders have two months to submit new and detailed plans outlining exactly which terminal areas are allocated for commercial use to ensure none lie within the previously illegal space.

If such plans are not submitted on time, the commission says it will order construction halted at the terminal, already under construction for six years and scheduled to be completed in 1977.

The Kikar Levinsky Co., which is building the terminal, exceeded the limits of its original permit by some 46,000 sq.m. Instead of 180,000 sq.m., the new station will be 226,000 sq.m.

The company claims additional construction involves only roads and ramps, but city officials believe some 20,000 sq.m. has been earmarked for commercial space.

The head of the Kikar Levinsky Co., Arye Pilz, was not available last night for comment on the commission's decision. His company in 1970 submitted a request to increase the station's area by the extra 46,000 sq.m. but the request was never handled. The company says it was led to believe approval would be granted retroactively and began construction without the necessary permit.

The Rabinowitz administration briefly halted the work, but two months later it was resumed — still without a licence.

(All decisions of the local building commission must be approved by the district planning commission.)

Bat Yam beaches cleanest in region, tests reveal

By SARAH HONIG
Jerusalem Post Reporter

BAT YAM. — Two local beaches, closed earlier this week by the Ministry of Interior because of pollution, are the cleanest in the region, according to tests of the sea water by the Ma'abada Merkazit laboratories.

Mayor Yitzhak Walker ordered the tests on Monday, as soon as he learned of the ministry's decision to ban bathing at the Riviera and Sela beaches. He said the ministry's action, two months after the bathing season opened, was most likely based on outdated information. The ban on the Riviera beach has been rescinded, and the mayor refuses to close the Sela beach.

The laboratory, directed by engineer Yosef Ben-Zvi and accredited by the Government to run such tests, reported yesterday that no coli germs were found in the 1.5 million cubic centimetres of sea water taken from each of the city's three beaches — Sela, Riviera and Josefthal. The germs, which are commonly found in sewage, are indicative of pollution.

The city also ordered tests of water of some of the neighbouring beaches where bathing is permitted. Two million cubic centimetres of Rishon Lezion shore water yielded 300 coli germs, while Tel Aviv's Sheraton beach shore was found to contain 500 such germs. According to the Health Ministry's accepted standards, bathing becomes dangerous when more than 2,500 germs are found in 100 cubic centimetres of sea water.

Mayor Walker yesterday informed the deputy director of the ministry, Levi Guery, of the laboratory findings. However, Guery said he could not get a new decision on the issue before Sunday.

City spokesman Simha Moretzky added last night that the city had learned unofficially from reliable sources that tests of Bat Yam sea water conducted by the Government's own laboratories at Abu Kabir on July 20 also failed to find any contamination in the water.

Meanwhile, the popular Sela beach has been crowded the past few days as residents here and from nearby towns seek refuge from the sweltering heat.

Pilots' Union to support El Al strike on Sunday

BEN-GURION AIRPORT. — The National Pilots' Union decided at a meeting yesterday to support the warning strike planned by El Al workers for Sunday, in protest of the El Al management's failure to implement the tax reforms "completely, legally and openly."

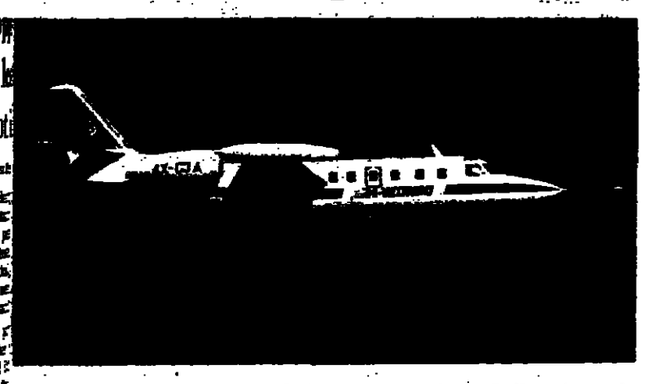
As a result, all civilian Israeli pilots will be grounded on Sunday from 8 to 10 a.m., except for flights related to security. The El Al strike will extend from midnight on Saturday to midnight on Sunday.

Representatives of the Marine Officers Union at the same meeting said their members would also strike in sympathy on Sunday, but did not indicated the precise time.

El Al charged yesterday that what its flight crews are demanding is illegal. "El Al will obey the law and the Treasury regulations" regarding the tax reform, a spokesman said.

The management has asked to meet with the flight crews on Thursday. *(Itim)*

New Westwind passes 1st flight



Jerusalem Post Aviation Correspondent

LYDDA. — Israel Aircraft Industries' latest product, an improved version of the eight-seater Westwind executive jet, successfully passed its initial test flight here earlier this week.

The flight, the IAI spokesman said, was the first of 300 test-flights which the two prototype Westwind 1124s are to undergo in anticipation of licensing of the aircraft by early 1976.

The new Westwind has improved jet engines which give it an extra 40 per cent range and boost its non-stop flight capability to an impressive 4,500 kms. with a full load.

The price is a modest $1,750,000 — but you can trade in your old Westwind, if you have one.

Moroccans award 82 scholarships

Jerusalem Post Staff

HAIFA. — The Association of Moroccan Immigrants at a ceremony here yesterday distributed 82 scholarships — worth IL60,000 — to students at all of Israel's universities.

The association says it has awarded 375 scholarships—IL250,000 — this year, 75 per cent of them to persons of North African background and the remainder to those of Asian or European background. The criterion is need, not ethnic background, it adds.

The head of the World Association of Former North African Jews, Chaul Ben-Simhon, said during the ceremony that his organisation's October conference in Tel Aviv will deal with launching a campaign to compensate Jews from Arab lands for the property confiscated from them by the Arab regimes.

(One of the universities whose students have received the Moroccans' scholarships — Bar-Ilan — announced yesterday that it has the highest percentage of "Oriental" students in the country — 23 per cent, as against an average of 13.5 per cent for the country's universities as a whole. The religious university's rector, Menahem Zvi Kaddari, attributed this to the fact that Oriental families have a greater tendency to send their children to religious schools.)

Boy drowns at banned beach

HAIFA.—Efforts by his father failed to save Avner Malka, 13, of Kiryat Yam from drowning on Tuesday afternoon at a beach closed to bathers. The father, Yitzhak, was rescued with difficulty after he went under while trying to save his son.

Lifeguards at the nearby Kiryat Yam beach, surveying the area through binoculars, noticed the two struggling and rushed over to help. They managed to rescue the father, who was already unconscious and had to be sent to hospital, but were too late to save his son. The younger Malka's body was recovered later.

BANK LEUMI's 319th branch — its fifth in Bat Yam — was recently opened at 134 Balfour Street there.

Electric Corp. employees get IL4.3m. in free power each year

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Employees of the Electric Corporation are receiving approximately IL4.3m. worth of free electricity in their homes each year, Finance Minister Yehoshua Rabinowitz revealed yesterday.

Knesset Member Shmuel Tamir had asked the minister about revelations by the State Comptroller that the company's 5,532 employees were getting electric power at a symbolic rate, and using more electricity than average consumers.

(According to the State Comptroller's report, 45 per cent of the employees were using more than the annual average of 2,500 KWH; 17 per cent were consuming 8,000 to 12,000 KWH; 3 per cent were using 12,000 to 14,000 KWH; and 5 per cent were getting more than 14,000 KWH.)

Rabinowitz admitted that similar benefits of electricity at token rates are being granted to workers of companies allied to the Electric Corporation.

In theory, Electric Corp. employees will have to pay income tax on the cost of the free power which they receive (up to IL500 a month — any more would be tax free).

Mideast foreign aid

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velopment (AID) a commission for each dollar borrowed.

The three above-mentioned categories of aid — Soviet refugees, P.L. 480 and housing guarantees — are not expected to be a part of the President's aid message to Congress in any case. Those measures are usually taken up by Congress separately.

Therefore, what remains of the Israeli request — $1,800m. in military aid and $324.5m in supporting assistance — makes up the most critical portion of Israel's needs.

During the next fiscal year, Israel can be expected to receive from the U.S. at least as much supporting assistance as Egypt. Last year, Egypt received $250m. and Administration officials have indicated that Egypt will receive between $350m.-$450m. this year. Israel, therefore, may actually receive more supporting assistance than it requested.

But in the category of military aid, Israel will probably receive a decrease, with the final amount totalling about $1,200m. instead of the requested $1,800m. Congress, however, will still have the opportunity to increase that sum, or at least increase the grant portion of it.

The Administration has also assured Israel that when it withdraws from the Abu Rodeis oilfields, the United States will help compensate for oil losses. Israel currently obtains about half its petroleum needs from the Sinai wells, which annually pump oil valued at approximately $500m. If an interim agreement is achieved, the U.S. will provide a substantial part of that sum, perhaps under the supporting assistance category.

Foreign aid in the U.S. has never been very popular, especially during periods of domestic economic difficulties. The overall foreign aid bill had a rough time being approved by Congress last year, primarily because of the aid for Cambodia and South Vietnam.

This year, however, there will of course be no aid to those countries. In the past, aid to Israel — the most popular aid recipient among Congressmen — will represent a larger proportion of the world-wide aid bill. Some observers believe that this fact may attract additional Congressional supporters to the bill, and ease congressional passage.

Twenty-eight Congressmen last week, for example, said that while they support aid to Israel, they voted against last year's foreign aid bill because of the sums going to other countries. Although there has been some talk recently of removing Israel from the overall foreign aid bill and requesting a separate bill for Israel, it is unlikely that this will occur, at least during the current year. Aid to Israel thus remains linked to the entire package.

Therefore, even if the President does eventually come through with a substantial aid request for Israel, there will still remain a problem of winning Congressional endorsement.

The American Israel Public Affairs Committee, which lobbies in Congress on behalf of legislation affecting Israel, is already gearing up for a major campaign to win this approval.

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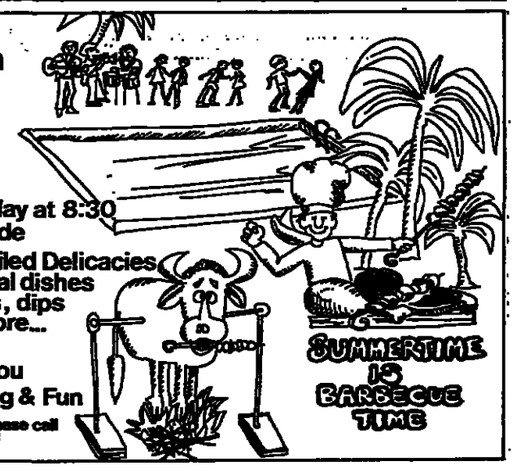

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Cease-fire in Luanda, seventh this year

LUANDA (Reuter). — A cease-fire agreed between Angola's two main rival liberation movements appeared to be taking hold yesterday after overnight shooting in two suburbs and a bomb explosion which destroyed the offices of the newpaper "Jornal de Angola."

The powerful bomb severely damaged the rest of the building housing the newpaper, injuring eight people, but none seriously.

The authorities are investigating the bombing of the paper, which is half owned by the Zaire-based National Front for the Liberation of Angola (FNLA).

Luanda's other morning newpaper, "Comercio," said its building next door was also damaged but no one was hurt.

The blast came soon after curfew and only four hours before a new cease-fire was due to come into effect at midnight Tuesday in the Angolan capital after bloody fighting between the FNLA and the Marxist Popular Movement for the Liberation of Angola (MPLA).

Tuesday night and early yesterday morning there was continued shooting in the Cazenga and Cuca suburbs of the city. It was not known whether the shooting was between the rival movements or by security forces acting against curfew-breakers and lawless elements. But a factory owner in the area found his way to his plant barred by an MPLA roadblock.

Later in the morning, however, the shooting stopped and the cease-fire — the seventh this year — appeared to be taking hold.

China denies Soviet charges about Angola at OAU meet

KAMPALA (UPI). — The cold war between China and Russia swept into African politics yesterday when the two countries clashed indirectly over the situation in Angola, where guerrilla movements have been battling for several months.

The official Soviet news agency Tass said that China's support for one of the country's three warring liberation groups was "shattering Angola's forthcoming independence."

But a Chinese official here called the Russian charge "slander."

As the two big powers exchanged charges, the spokesman for the Organization of African Unity (OAU) meeting here to discuss Angola and other African problems said he was "very optimistic" that the leaders of Angola's guerrilla groups would attend the OAU's full summit meeting next week to try to restore a permanent peace in the territory in preparation for independence from Portugal in November.

The invitation to the leaders of the Popular Movement (MPLA), the National Front (FNLA) and Unita to attend the conference was in fact "more or less an order," spokesman Peter Onu said.

The Soviet Union underscored its determination to become deeply involved in African affairs when Soviet ambassador Alexei Zakharov delivered a special message to President Idi Amin of Uganda outlining Soviet thinking on the OAU meeting — an unusual move for a non-involved country to make.

The Soviet attacks drew immediate reaction from both Chinese and Zaire officials.

Rival Italian factions prepare for fight for party leadership

ROME (UPI). — Rival factions in the Christian Democratic party drew final battle plans yesterday for Italy's most powerful job, the post of party leader.

The party's national council votes today for a successor to Amintore Fanfani, unceremoniously dumped as party chief in a no-confidence vote on Tuesday night.

Italy's dominant party for three decades, the Christian Democrats, were stunned last month when the Communist party gained 2.5 million votes in nationwide regional and local elections.

The largest Communist party in the West capitalized on Italy's economic troubles and alleged corruption in the faction-ridden Christian Democratic party to gain control of one-third of the electorate and move within 2 percentage points of the Christian Democrats in the balloting.

Leftwing and moderate factions controlling 70 per cent of the Christian Democratic party blamed Fanfani's conservative, strongly anti-Communist policies for the election disaster and precipitated his fall.

A drawn-out fight for the party leadership could hamper Christian Democratic Premier Aldo Moro's efforts to deal effectively with unemployment, inflation and violence, politicians said. They said the behind-the-scenes struggle for Fanfani's chair was bitter and warned a lengthy confrontation could cripple and possibly topple Moro's minority government, a coalition of Christian Democrats and Republicans hinging on lukewarm outside support from Socialists and Social Democrats.

A government collapse would probably mean early parliamentary elections and new Communist gains at the national level, the politicians said.

Flaminio Piccoli, a 59-year-old moderate, was the slight favourite in a field of at least four challengers for Fanfani's old job. Moro, among others, indicated a temporary collective leadership would be one way to avert a bruising showdown between individual candidates.

Seven Arabs indicted for arms conspiracy

RICHMOND (AP). — Seven men of Lebanese or Syrian origin have been indicted by a Federal grand jury here on charges of conspiring to acquire firearms illegally to ship them to Middle Eastern countries. Several allegedly illegal gun purchases took place in the Richmond area, the indictment said.

It said one of the alleged conspirators arranged for the shipment of an automobile containing firearms from Newark, New Jersey, to Beirut last December.

Assistant U.S. Atty. Charles Beard said on Tuesday neither the car nor its alleged cargo was ever located.

Beard said at least 30 pistols and rifles were involved in the alleged transactions cited in the indictment and that at least 15 of the weapons and a "large quantity of ammunition" were confiscated by federal agents.

Tired refugees, some of the first to fly out of Angola, wait for transportation after their arrival at Lisbon airport. (AP radiophoto)

Direct news conference from space

Housekeeping is our main problem, Apollo man says

HOUSTON (Reuter). — Astronaut Donald "Deke" Slayton yesterday told the first-ever direct news conference from space he had done nothing his 91-year-old aunt could not do during the Apollo-Soyuz joint orbit.

Slayton, at 51 the oldest man in space, who was grounded for 10 years before being given a clean bill of health for the flight, was asked if the mission had proved a physical strain.

"I have not done anything that my 91-year-old aunt up in Wisconsin couldn't have done equally well. It was a very easy flight," he replied from the Apollo spaceship, orbitting the earth 224 kms. up.

The exchange came during a conference that provided the first space-age opportunity for journalists to quiz astronauts in flight directly. Last week, questions were put indirectly on behalf of reporters to both the U.S. and Soviet crewmen during their two-day linkup.

"The perpetual problem is the housekeeping problem," Slayton said. "Everything you drop floats off somewhere and you have to chase it. Meals, which are very mundane things on earth ... take three times as long up here.

"Plus, we need a traffic cop up here to direct who is going to go through which way. It seems like we are always bumping into each other," Slayton said of the cramped quarters.

But he added: "From the liftoff to this point has been super ... We know we have to come back tomorrow and I'm not sure I'm looking forward to it."

All three of the crew — the others are mission commander Thomas Stafford and Vance Brand — appeared to be in excellent spirits.

"It's the greatest experience I ever had. Things up here are really thrilling," said Brand.

Italy in lead, Israel fifth, in 17th round of bridge meet

BRIGHTON, England (AP). — Italy beat Greece 17-3 in the 17th round of the European Bridge Championships early yesterday, widening their lead over France to 31 points. Israel is in fifth place.

The French beat Austria 16-4 and Britain, with a 19.1 win over Portugal, moved into the third place in the standings.

After 17 rounds Italy has 263 points, France 232, Britain 220, Poland 210, Israel 209 and Norway 206.

Other results in the 17th round: Switzerland beat Hungary 16-4; Netherlands beat Norway 19.1; Turkey beat Poland 18-2; Yugoslavia beat Germany 19.1; Sweden beat Lebanon 20-0; Ireland beat Finland 20-0; Spain beat Belgium 16-4; Israel a bye 12.

After 10 rounds in the Women's Championship, Italy and Britain were tied in the standings with 153 points each. Austria had 137 and Ireland 119.

Women's results in the 10th round: Denmark drew with Austria 10-10; Spain beat Germany 15-5; Switzerland beat Sweden 16-4; Britain beat Ireland 15-5; France beat Norway 20-minus 4; Netherlands beat Greece 19-1; Italy beat Lebanon 20-0; Israel a bye 12.

CABLES

LURED. — An investigation of recruiting agencies in Pakistan was ordered yesterday following reports that 130 Pakistanis had been lured to Saudi Arabia on false promises of lucrative jobs and were now stranded there.

NO KOSYGIN. — The Soviet delegation to the 35-nation European security summit conference, starting in Helsinki on July 30, will be led by Soviet party leader Leonid Breshnev and Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko, the conference secretariat announced yesterday. Soviet Prime Minister Alexei Kosygin, earlier expected to attend, has been omitted from the large Soviet delegation.

DISAPPEARED. — More than 100 black senior school students have disappeared from the Chikore mission school in south-eastern Rhodesia within the past two days, a mission spokesman said yesterday. The students are believed to have absconded into neighbouring Mozambique, the spokesman said.

REFORM COURSES. — Authorities in Saigon are continuing to arrest many military officers and politicians of the former regime who have failed to sign up for reform courses as well as "many hoodlums who earn their living by selling heroin, smuggling and robbery, liberation radio said yesterday.

STRIKES. — The number of working hours lost in Italy due to strikes doubled during the first five months of this year as against the same period in 1974, the national statistics institute said yesterday. It said 102,493,000 hours were lost between January and May, an increase of 57,329,000 hours over the same period in 1974.

TRADE. — Egyptian Finance Minister Ahmed Abu Ismail has arrived in Moscow for talks on trade and economic relations, Tass said yesterday.

CAPTURE. — Spanish troops in the Spanish Sahara yesterday captured a patrol of 16 Moroccan soldiers 8 kms. inside Spanish territory.

Terrorists now admit kidnapping Col. Morgan

BEIRUT (UPI). — The Palestinian terror movement's "Rejection Front" has admitted kidnapping U.S. army Col. Ernest Morgan from a Beirut street last June 29, the newspaper "Al-Safir" said yesterday.

The newspaper quoted an unidentified Front leader as saying Morgan was dragged from a taxi-cab by members of the Popular Struggle Front (PSF) and then turned over to the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine-General Command (PFLP-GC).

The colonel was questioned by high-ranking officials of the PFLP-GC, which is led by Ahmed Jebril, and which has close conections with Libya, he said.

Before Morgan was released unharmed on July 12, the Rejection Front — the terror groups which reject a Middle East peace settlement — insisted it had no hand in his kidnapping.

A group calling itself the Revolutionary Socialist Action Organization said at the time it was responsible for the abduction and threatened to kill Morgan unless relief aid was distributed in the Beirut slum area of Amaslakh.

The spokesman quoted by the newspaper, which has close Front connections to the terror groups, said the abductors decided not to kill Morgan because he was black.

"If Morgan had not been black, we would have behaved differently," he said.

Japan and PLO deadlock over Tokyo office

TOKYO (Reuter). — An impasse between the Japanese government and a representative of the Palestine Liberation Organization continues here over the setting up of a PLO representative office in Tokyo.

The PLO official, Khader Mansour, has accused Japan of failing to take the Palestine cause seriously, saying he wants the government to extend an official invitation to the PLO so that it "enters through the front door, not the window."

Official Japanese sources, however, reiterated that Japan will "positively consider" approval for a non-diplomatic PLO office if a request is made.

Mansour also says he wants the government to extend an official invitation to a PLO delegation to visit Japan.

The sources say that if the PLO asks to send an official delegation to Japan, the government will consider the request on an official basis. However, no offical invitation will be extended to the PLO.

U.S. Jews back trade preferences for Rumani

Jerusalem Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON. — The Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations, the umbrella organization representing almost all organized U.S. Jewry, yesterday recommended that Congress extend most-favoured-nation trade status to Rumania.

The Senate was due to take up the issue late yesterday afternoon (after midnight Israel time), and was expected to approve it. The House is due to follow suit shortly thereafter.

Rumania will thus become the first Communist country to receive MFN status under the terms of the Jackson Amendment to the trade bill Congress approved last year. Rumania has agreed to liberalize emigration restrictions, which primarily concern Jews wishing to go to Israel, in exchange for the trade benefits.

Over the past month, emig from Rumania has steadil creased.

The U.S.-Rumanian trade ment, when approved, will in effect for 11 months. Fol this period, the Congress w able to re-examine Rumanian pliance with its part of th gain.

If emigration declines, the gress could revoke the MFN ment.

Rabbi Israel Miller, chairm the 32-member Presidents C ence, said in a letter to Co that the American Jewish munity is encouraged by t crease in immigration from mania during recent week welcomed reports that Ru had extended 1,000 exit visa ing June.

Scientists claim finding sunken continent — but not Atlantis

MIAMI (AP). — Scientists say fossils of crab excrement and limestone prove they have found the remains of a submerged continent in the middle of the Atlantic Ocean.

"It is not Atlantis," said Dr. Cesare Emiliani, chairman of the University of Miami geology department.

Emiliani was among a group of international oceanographers who dredged up the material from 600 to a thousand metres below the sea surface during an expedition several years ago.

The evidence was found in a fracture zone of the mid-Atlantic ridge, a giant, undersea mountain range that encircles the globe and runs continuously through all major basins.

"We knew what we had found was not usual, but we couldn't pinpoint it," said Dr. Jose Ho who also took part in the s

The results of their long i gation were published in a scientific paper. It conclude a continent of unknown siz sandwiched between the sep African and American land some 70 million years ago.

"At the time the continent ged, the Atlantic must have only about as big as the Red Hommorez said.

Millions of years later, th began sinking into an ea ocean fault between Central and northern South Americ said.

Emiliani said the newly di ed land mass sank long befor one could have inhabited the cal continent of Atlantis.

Gandhi's emergency decree approved by Lower House too

NEW DELHI (UPI). — The lower house of the Indian Parliament yesterday ratified Prime Minister Indira Gandhi's June 26 proclamation of a state of national emergency, thus extending her single-party rule indefinitely.

Once again, the major opposition parties with the exception of the pro-Moscow Communist Party of India walked out of the house complaining the Gandhi government threatened the parliamentary system.

They had walked out on Tuesday when the decree was approved by the upper house and announced they were boycotting the current emergency session which ends on Monday.

The walkout left Mrs. Gandhi's Congress Party as the only major party represented in parliament.

Socialist leader Tridib Chaudhury, who announced the boycott, out a joint statement by op party leaders which said new sorship and suspension of me rights "cut at the very ro parliamentary democracy.

"We are satisfied that no purpose will be served b further participation in the pro ings of the house," Chaudhur and walked out with an esti 60 opposition party lawmake

Their collegues made a announcement on Tuesday t upper house after it passe emergency decree by 136-33 ma vote. The vote in the lower yesterday was 336-59.

The ratification by the two of parliament extends the st emergency for an indefinite and it is now left to Mrs. G to revoke it at a time of choosing.

Denies any pressure on Israel

Ford: 'If no progress, Geneva inevitab

NEW YORK (JTA). — President Ford, in an interview on Tuesday with three Washington newsmen, said he was "encouraged" by the progress toward an agreement between Israel and Egypt and denied the Administration's reassessment of American Middle East policy was a form of pressure on Israel.

Ford was interviewed by Godfrey Sperling jr., chief of the "Christian Science Monitor's" Washington bureau, George Will, a "Washington Post" columnist and William F. Anderson of the "Chicago Tribune."

In the interview, which was published in the "Christian Science Monitor" yesterday, Ford said: "We are encouraged" by the progress of the Sinai interim agreement talks, "but on the other hand, we have been disappointed in the past." The President refused to go into details about the negotiations but added, "I will repeat, it looks more encouraging now, but you don't want to close down the gate until we finally have the two parties in agreement."

Asked whether reassessment was being used to pressure Israel, the President replied: "I don't think it is a pressure. Everybody recognizes that if we are not able to make final progress in this step-by-step negotiation with Egypt and Israel, it is almost inevitable that we have to go to Geneva and we have to have a comprehensive programme laid out. It is a fact of life. It is not pressure ... The pace of the reassessment has a relationship to their negotiations, but everybody recognizes, I think, if there isn't some finality on this, a comprehensive programme has to be submitted and it has to probably involve Geneva."

Ford said the U.S. will probably discuss the Middle East with some of the Western European leaders at the European Security Conference in Helsinki. He denied that in return for his going to Helsinki, the Soviet Union agreed to help in reaching a settlement in the Mideast. "The Soviet Union has been very quiet," Ford said. "The Soviet Union has not raised any great problems as we have sought to bring Egypt and Israel together. They have, therefore, in my judgement, been helpful. But I don't think my going to Helsinki is directly related to that contribution on their part."

Asked about concessions that the U.S. has tried to get from Egypt, Ford replied that it goes beyond Egypt and takes in the whole Arab attitude. "It is an attempt to get Egypt to relax any efforts they might have for any military engagement," the President said. "It involves the non-recourse to force agreement that they had more or less agreed to at the time of the March negotiations."

Ford said the "consensus" is that this goes beyond what Egypt had agreed to in 1974. He said this leaves the "question of much difference is that from next step, but I think the effort with Egypt is to quie Arab restlessness in that which I think most people who have been over there is potential danger."

Ford refused to say di whether he thought Egypt wa preparing for war. "I think is a flash danger, for war whole Middle East," Ford "and I wouldn't want to pass ment on Egypt in, and of But for us to assume that won't come if there is no ment, in my judgment, wou very, very ill-advised."

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Spanish newsmen strike after journalist is held for 'sex hotels' story

MADRID. — The first full-fledged journalists' strike in the 36 years of Generalissimo Francisco Franco's rule yesterday stopped the publication of five Barcelona newspapers in a protest against the arrest of a newsman, who reported official tolerance of "sex hotels."

The strike was called Tuesday after police, armed with a warrant issued by a military judge, arrested Jose Maria Huertas, a member of the editorial staff of the afternoon newspaper "Tele-Express."

The order for Huertas' arrest came after he refused to identify military officers mentioned in his article about "erotic underground life" in Barcelona. He faces up to six years' imprisonment.

Huertas reported that city authorities were turning a blind eye to "furnished hotels" — the Spanish term for peace where lovers or prostitutes can rent a room for a short time — operating in Barcelona, even though such establishments are outlawed. The story, published seven weeks ago, alleged that many years ago some of these hotels had been operated by the widows of military officers.

The military judge said one paragraph of the story might be in violation of an article of the military penal code which says... "will incur punishment of up to six years in prison those who by word, writing or any other method of publicity insult or offend clearly or surreptitiously the armed forces or institutions, divisions, classes or corps of the armed forces."

The strike shut down two of Barcelona's three afternoon newspapers — "Tele-Express" and "Noticiero Universal" — and three of its five morning newspapers, "Mundo Diario," "Correo Catalan" and "Diario de Barcelona."

"La Vanguardia," Spain's biggest newspaper, came out after its editorial staff had held two meetings and decided in the second one not to join the strike. The other paper that ignored the strike call was "Solidaridad Nacional," a member of the government-controlled chain of the press of the National Movement, Spain's only legal political party.

It was the first time under Franco that a newsmen's strike had stopped the publication of newspapers. There had been occasional wildcat strikes and brief work stoppages in protest against crackdowns on the press. But newspapers, so far, had always come out.

The strike marked the growing unrest among Spanish newsmen over a series of government and police measures affecting the press.

In the past months, the government has suspended or fined numerous publications for violating political or moral standards. Six newsmen have been arrested, and an even larger number is facing trials for alleged violation of the press law or the penal code.

The Spanish press at present is enjoying more freedom than ever under Franco. What has been creating the conflicts is its desire to move toward full freedom faster than the government is prepared to tolerate.

(UPI, AP)

Diana Bryant, 19, falls to her death in Boston as the fire-escape on which she was fleeing collapses during a fire on Tuesday. Her god-daughter, two-year-old Tiare Jones (above), survived the five-storey fall. (Boston Herald-American)

Washington 'not worried'

Egypt moves warships to Red Sea

WASHINGTON (UPI). — Egypt has sent a naval task force into the Red Sea — to demonstrate its military strength while negotiating with Israel, diplomatic sources said on Tuesday.

The Egyptian task force did not rouse concern among the Americans involved in arranging a new interim agreement between Israel and Egypt, the sources here said.

(Military sources in Tel Aviv asked to comment on the report would say only that the IDF is closely watching developments in the Red Sea area.)

The Washington sources gave no details of the Egyptian task force, but said it was a larger body of warships than Egypt normally sends into the strategic sea. They said the Egyptian move apparently was aimed at Egypt's home front, to show that President Anwar Sadat was not dealing from weakness in moving toward an agreement with the Israelis.

In fact, the source said, there is an unusual atmosphere of optimism among diplomats directly involved in the delicate negotiations conducted by Secretary of State Henry Kissinger.

They said the general feeling was that the new interim agreement could be cemented as soon as late August.

The concern over Egypt announcing last week that it would not agree to renewed UN policing in Sinai was melting away, they said. There was an increasing belief the problem would be resolved with the UN force remaining and Egypt agreeing to let it stay for the three-year duration of the proposed new interim settlement.

U.S., Saudi aid cuts UNRWA's deficit by half

BEIRUT (Reuter). — Big contributions from the U.S. and Saudi Arabia have more than halved the deficit faced this year by the UN Relief and Works Agency for Palestine refugees (UNRWA).

But a spokesman for UNRWA said yesterday contributions expected by the agency still fall short of the sum needed by $12.5m., or about a tenth of the total budget.

Unless this sum could be made up, there could still be severe cuts in UNRWA's feeding and education programmes for refugees, the spokesman said.

Recent extra contributions of $6m. from the U.S. and $10m. from Saudi Arabia, together with a drop in the price of foodstuffs which the agency has to buy have cut the anticipated deficit down from $30m.

The Saudi contribution is almost double the total sum it has given UNRWA in the entire previous quarter century of its operations, and UNRWA officials are hoping that other wealthy oil states will now follow its example.

U.K. lawmakers hike their pay by 28% — after passing anti-inflation measures

LONDON (AP). — Members of the House of Commons voted early yesterday to raise their salaries immediately by nearly 28 per cent.

The pay hike would give lawmakers £5,750 a year instead of the £4,500 they currently earn.

The vote came four hours after the legislators had endorsed the government's anti-inflation package that would limit weekly pay hikes as of August 1 to £6 a week.

The anti-inflation measures, to last at least a year, allow no increases for persons earning more than £8,500 a year.

Lawmakers argued that they were long overdue for a pay raise. Their pay hasn't been changed for the past four years. An independent review body had recommended a 78 per cent increase that would have raised MP's pay to about £8,010 a year.

The lower figure was a compromise with opponents of a big pay rise that would appear hypocritical in a time of economic crisis.

An even bigger increase is likely, however, after the next general election. The lawmakers carried by one vote, 128-127, a recommendation that their salaries be linked with those of the nation's top civil servants.

This would put an MP's salary at £11,000 pounds a year, an increase of about 144 per cent above the current yearly salary of £4,500. The big hike would take effect within three months of the next general election, which could come at any time during the next four years.

SATELLITE. — The new European Space Agency said yesterday it plans to put in orbit its first satellite in the first half of August.

ADMINISTRATION OFFICIALS SAY:

'U.S. anti-boycott laws could make things worse'

WASHINGTON (Reuter). — New U.S. laws aimed at penalizing countries involved in the Arab economic boycott against Israeli and Jewish businesses will probably not end the ban and could make the situation worse, Administration officials said yesterday.

The officials from the Treasury and Commerce Departments were testifying at a hearing of the Senate banking committee on a bill which would allow the President to prohibit direct investments in the U.S. by boycott participants.

Senator Harrison Williams, (Democrat, New Jersey), said the Arab countries were stepping up their boycott efforts against Israel by requiring more information about dealing with Israel from U.S. firms seeking to export goods to Arab countries.

Assistant Treasury Secretary Gerald Parsky said the U.S. was strongly opposed to the Arab boycott and the Treasury Department was trying to pressure the Arabs it would be in their own interests to reduce or end it.

"We are continuing our efforts to demonstrate to Arab countries the importance to their own development efforts of unfettered trade and economic relations with all U.S. firms," Parsky said.

"We believe this process will help create the conditions which will enable even more U.S. firms maintain commercial ties with both Israel and the Arab world."

Commerce Department Undersecretary John Tabor said the Department could penalize — and in some case had already done so — U.S. firms taking part in the boycott.

Referring to Sen. Williams' proposal, Tabor said:

"Engagement of this amendment would not put an end to the economic sanctions against the State of Israel. There is every likelihood that the Arabs would, and could, find other uses for their capital if they were deprived of investment opportunities in the U.S."

The bill has been approved by a Senate banking subcommittee and referred to the full committee.

70 hurt as Athens police, building workers clash

ATHENS. — At least 70 people were injured in pitched battles between riot police and striking building workers in the centre of Athens yesterday.

About 39 of the injured were policemen, a police source said.

The clashes started when about 2,000 building workers attempted to stage a march through Athens' main streets to support demands for higher wages and better working conditions.

The demonstrators gathered near the Ministry of Labour shouting anti-government slogans and calling for a 40-hour week and higher wages.

Other demonstrators marching towards the Ministry of Labour entered construction sites where strike-breakers were working and forced them to stop.

Armoured police cars with water-cannons and tear-gas patrolled the centre of Athens and fired teargas charges to prevent the demonstrators from regrouping.

The demonstrators lit fires to neutralise the effect of the teargas as the centre of Athens took on the appearance of a battlefield. The demonstrators pulled parked cars into the middle of streets to use as barricades against armoured cars.

The demonstration coincided with the first anniversary of the fall of the military regime. On July 23, 1974 Greece's military rulers called politicians together and asked them to form a civilian government following Turkey's invasion of Cyprus.

The military dictatorship was imposed April 21, 1967 by a group of officers claiming Greece was on the verge of turning Communist.

The coup leaders used daily demonstrations by construction workers and other leftist groups in 1967 as proof the Communists were preparing for a violent takeover.

(Reuter, AP)

CRASH. — A Lebanese Hawker Hunter jet fighter crashed yesterday during a training flight in the Baalbek region of northeast Lebanon, killing its pilot, a Defence Ministry communique said yesterday. The communique said a committee was set up to investigate the reasons of the accident.

Iran to expel its Philippine house maids

TEHERAN (AP). — Iran has decided to expel hundreds of Philippine women working as house maids for Iranian and foreign families, Undersecretary of Labour Feraidun Nasseri said yesterday.

The measure comes as part of an Iranian drive to curb the influx of unskilled foreign labour into the country, Nasseri said.

The Philippine women were said to have been brought here two years ago by an unauthorized employment office run by Celcilia Meiwald, the wife of an American businessman who has been living in Iran for more than 10 years.

Mrs. Meiwald says her office operated on a non-profit basis and that it was designed only to help the girls who worked for Iranian and non-Iranian families for $150 a month plus other amenities.

Christina Onassis' wedding gift from her husband, Greek tycoon's son Alexander Andreadis, was a 19-carat solitaire diamond ring, a family source said yesterday, Reuters reports. The ring was given to Christina by her husband after they cut the wedding cake. Above, Christina and Alexander embrace as they meet in the Athens chapel courtyard minutes before the wedding ceremony began on Tuesday. (AP radiophoto)

State Dept. bans export of pistols to Beirut

WASHINGTON (Reuter). — The State Department on Monday suspended export licences for pistols granted to a private arms dealer in Beirut during intense street fighting there in May.

The State Department approved the sale of 2,000 pistols on May 8, at a time when a month of fighting had already claimed the lives of more than 200 Moslems and Lebanese Christians.

About 400 to 500 pistols covered by the licence have still to be delivered, State Department Spokesman Robert Anderson said. The office reviewed the sale on Monday and suspended the licences.

The licences were granted without the knowledge of Secretary of State Henry Kissinger, on the recommendation of the U.S. Embassy in Beirut and two relatively junior officers in the Department, Mr. Anderson said.

"No official at the Deputy Assistant Secretary level or above knew of this approval," Mr. Anderson said. "Procedures are now being reviewed to ensure appropriate clearances in future cases."

Mr. Anderson said no reprimands were contemplated, but the two officers involved in the sale would be told that they had acted improperly.

But State Department officials were privately appalled by approval of the sale, worth a total of $196,000.

In addition, licences had been granted for the export of $20,800 worth of ammunition.

The weapons were sold by Colt Arms Industries Inc., of Hartford, Connecticut, to Mr. Sarkis Soghanalian, the Colt representative in Lebanon, for commercial resale.

FRENCH EXCURSION BOAT FIRE KILLS 12, HURTS 50

TOULON, France (AP). — Fire swept a French Mediterranean excursion boat after an explosion in the engine room Wednesday, and officials said 12 persons were killed and 50 injured.

A woman passenger said "there was total panic" aboard the Venus Lines boat, which plies between Toulon in southeastern France and Porquerolles Island. "No one did anything to help me, so I jumped into the water," the woman said.

The explosion and fire wrecked the boat as it neared the tip of the Glens Peninsula about 32 km. from Toulon. Estimates of the number of persons aboard varied between 140 and 200. The vessel's captain later told newsmen that the boat had hit an unknown underwater object immediately before the fire. He said the object ruptured the hull and caused a boiler to explode and ignite the fuel tanks.

11 killed as two trains crash near Hamburg depot

HAMBURG (AP). — The head-on crash of two trains near a suburban Hamburg depot killed 11 passengers and injured 35, police announced yesterday after all-night recovery operations.

An accident-investigation team tried to pinpoint responsibility for the Tuesday evening crash by studying route recording devices in the locomotives of the commuter and freight trains, authorities said.

But railway officials reported that a six-car commuter train apparently ran through a stop signal and entered the track reserved for the freight train in the southeast suburb of Hausbruch.

Most of the mutilated corpses of men, women and children were removed from the first passenger car, which was wrecked by the impact. Engineers of both locomotives freed themselves by jumping off shortly before the crash.

Cyprus talks postponed until end of July

VIENNA. — Intercommunal Cyprus negotiations, scheduled to begin here today, have been postponed until July 31, Greek officials said yesterday.

UN officials said the postponement was due to Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim's consultations in New York over the mandate of UN Forces in Sinai.

Waldheim was to have taken part in the third round of talks with Greek Cypriot negotiator Glafkos Clerides and his Turkish counterpart Rauf Denktash.

The officials said Waldheim would now come to Vienna on July 31 after attending the European Security Conference Summit in Helsinki.

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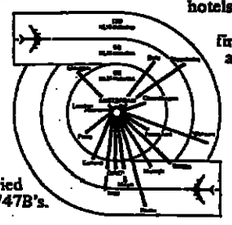

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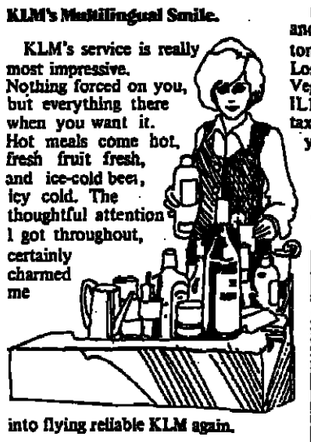

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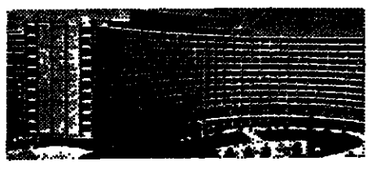

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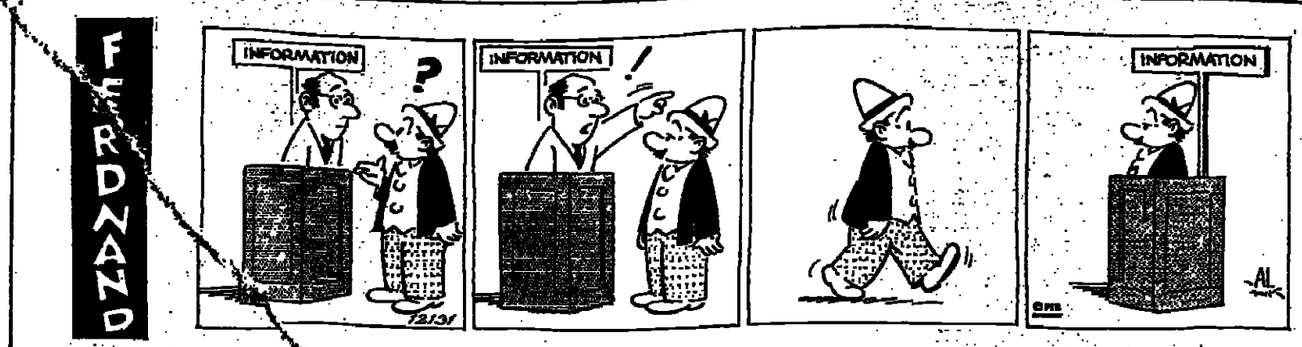

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2nd Programme: 6.05 a.m., 7.00, 8.00, 9.00, 10.00, 11.00, 12.00, 1.00 p.m., 2.00, 3.00, 4.00, 5.00, 6.00, 9.00, 10.00, 11.00, midnight and 1.00 a.m.
Newsreels: 7.05 a.m., 1.05 p.m.
Galei Zahal: News: 6.00 a.m., 7.00, 8.00, 9.00, 10.00, 11.00, 12.00, 1.00 p.m., 2.00, 3.00, 4.00 5.00, 6.00, 7.00, 8.00, 9.00, 10.00, 11.00, midnight and 1.00 a.m., 2.00, 3.00, 4.00, and 5.00 a.m.
Newsreels: 8.05 a.m., 5.05 and 11.45 p.m.

FIRST PROGRAMME
256, 522 and 221 M.
7.58a.m. Opening. 8.10 "Morning Concert" — Saint-Saens: "Havanaise" for Violin & Orchestra (Heifetz); Ibert: Concertino da Camera for Alto Saxophone & Eleven Instruments; Weber: Concertino in C minor for Clarinet & Orch.; Faure: Ballad for Piano & Orch.; Franck: Prelude, Chorale & Fugue; Messiaen: "Le Merle Noir" for Flute & Piano; Debussy: Two Songs (Anna Moffo); Ravel: "La Valse" (Leonard Bernstein). 10.05 Rubinstein Competition recording (repeat): Oscar Tarrago, piano — Beethoven: 1st Movement from Sonata in F minor op. 57 ("Appassionata"); Schoenberg: Three Pieces op. 11; Liszt: Sonata in B minor. 11.00 News in Easy Hebrew. 11.05 Ivrit La'am. 11.15 Programmes for Children. 11.45 English Lesson. 12.05 Book Review. 12.10 "Radiodea." 12.35 Miniatures. 1.05 Midday Concert — Reger: Variations & Fugue on a Theme by Mozart; Delius: "Paris." 1.55 Programme Trailer. 2.10 Mother and Child. 3.05 "Who is the Man" — Quix. 4.05 (Stereo) Israel Festival 1975 — A Concert of Youth Orchestras. 6.05 "People and Figures." 6.30 This Week's Review of Jewish Affairs. 6.55 For the Farmer. 7.05 "Today." 7.30 "This Week at the Knesset. 7.50 Bible Reading: Job, chaps 15-and 16. 8.05 "Public Opinion." 8.55 "Five to Nine." 9.05 A Moment of Hebrew. 9.06 (Stereo) "New Sounds" — "Musikprotokoll 1974" Schnelbel: "Composito" for Orch.; Gelhaar: "Love Song" for Alto and Orch.; Avant-garde Jazz (Steve Lacy Group). 10.05 (Stereo) "This is Studio One" — Magazine. 11.05 Music for Day's End. 12.10 A Moment of Poetry. 12.13 Close Down.

SECOND PROGRAMME
457, 423, 249, 353 and 349 M.
5.58 a.m. Opening. 6.00 Religious Service. 6.10 Gymnastics. 6.20 Musical Clock. 6.55 Programme Announcements. 6.59 A Moment of Hebrew. 7.05 "This Morning." 7.35 Hebrew Songs. 7.55 Green Light. 8.10 "Good Morning." 8.55 Announcements. 9.05 "Good Morning." (cont.). 10.05 Here at Home. 11.45 A Few Moments With... 12.05 "Programme for the Worker and the Employer." 12.30 Hebrew Songs. 12.45 "Who, Where, When?" 1.05 p.m. Midday. 2.10 Requests. 3.05 "This is Ehud Manor." 3.55 Names and events in the Jewish Scene. 4.10 "This is Ehud Manor." 5.10 "Once There Were..." — songs of the past. 6.45 Today's Sport. 6.55 Announcements. 9.05 A Moment of Hebrew. 9.06 A Selection of Songs from the Hit Parades. 10.05 "The Ghosts Inn." 11.05 "Between Ourselves." 1.05 Close Down.

FIFTH PROGRAMME
445 M.
6.58 p.m. Opening. 7.00 News. 7.02 "Who is Afraid of Advanced Pop." 8.30 "Who is Afraid of Advanced Pop" (cont.).

IMMIGRANTS' HOUR
457, 423, 256, 353 and 246.5 M.
7.00 p.m. News in Easy Hebrew. Ivrit La'am. 7.15 Georgian. 7.30 Yiddish. 8.00 Ladino. 8.15 Mograbi. 8.30 Rumanian. 8.45 Russian. 9.30 Close Down.

ISRAEL TELEVISION SERVI
5.30 Cartoons. 6.00 "Tamari's Hut. "That's My Secret." 8.30 Mabe Alexander Pan — the Poet — a doc tary. 10.00 The Match of the Week News.
Educational: 8.30 "Improve Hebrew." 4.00 Meeting with Sheriff. 4.20 Stamps. 4.35 English Youth Magazine.
Arabic: 6.30 News. 6.32 Quiz. Literary Monthly Magazine. 7.30

ENGLISH NEWS AND PROGRA
7.00 a.m. (4th programme and short 1.30-2.00 p.m. (4th programme a waves); 6.00 p.m. (4th programm 8.45 p.m. (4th programme); 11.00-1 (short waves).
FRENCH NEWS AND PROGRA
7.15 a.m. (4th programme and short 2.00-2.30 p.m. (4th programme a waves); 6.05 p.m. (4th programm 9.00 p.m. (4th programme); 1.00-2 (short waves).
1st Programme — 522, 256, and 221 **4th Programme** — 407, 445, and 282 **3rd Programme** (short waves) — 1 31, 33, 41 and 49 M.

GALEI ZAHAL
5.58 a.m. Morning Prayer. 6.05 Tunes. 6.55 Gymnastics. 7.05 Morni 7.58 Programme Trailer. 8.05 Zaha sreels. 9.05 By Request. 10.05 "Go ning" — with Edna Shavit. 12.05 Star. 12.15 "Talk of Justice." 12.40 World." 12.55 "A King for One Da With Tim Hardin. 1.55 Announceme Hebrew Hit Parade. 4.05 "Please C Zahal's Newsreel. 6.27 Programme 6.30 With Yisrael Yeshaahyahu, Sp the Knesset. 7.05 News from the Library. 9.05 "Personal Questions." and Entertainment Magazine. 11.45 Newsreel. 12.05 "A Man and a Wom "We Don't Want to Sleep." 3.05 "Fiv - songs and tunes.

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4, 7, 9
ARNON: Snow White and the 7 Dwarf 5.30, 7.30; **CHEN:** Samson and Delila 9.15; **EDEN:** Diamonds; **EDISON:** A 5.30; **HABIRAH:** Caravan to Va **JERUSALEM:** It'll be all right, Salo Part II; **MITCHELL:** Snooker, 7, 9, also at 4; **ORGIL:** The Front Page; O Lost Command; **ORNA:** Alice Doesn Here Anymore, 4, 6.45, 9; **EON:** Sa **SEMADAR:** WR — The Mysteries Organism, 7, 9.

TEL AVIV
4.30, 7.30, 9.30
ALLENBY: The Front Page, 6, 7.30 **BEN YEHUDA:** Robin and the 7 **CINEMA ONE:** Bandeleros; **CINEMA** Darling, Fri. at 12.30, 3.30, weekdays a 12.30, 2.30, 4.30, 7.30, 9.30; **CINER** Snooker, 7.30, 9.30; **ESTHER:** It'll right, Salomonika, Part II; **DEKEL:** Doesn't Live Here Anymore, 7.30, 9.30 Diamonds, 4.30, 7.15, 9.30; **CHEN:** Hood, 4, 6, 8; **DRIVE-IN:** Billy at 8, 10.15; **GAT:** Ape and Super Ape, 4.30 9.30; **GORDON:** Edith Piaf, 4.30, 7.15 **LIMOR:** Peepers in the Hotel Raim, 11, 3.30, 5.30; **MAXIM:** Les Bidas vent en Guerre, mats. at 10, 12, 2-2 of Baghdad; **MOGRABI:** Fear Over the **PARIS:** Zandy's Bride, 10, 12, 2, 4, 7.15 **PEER:** The Gambler; **OPHIR:** Th Commandments, 4, 8; **ORLY:** The A ticeship of Duddy Kravitz, 4.30, 7.15 **RAMAT AVIV:** Il Bompiballo, 7.15, 9.30 also at 4.30; **ROYAL:** The Hireling; **SH** The Tamarind Seed, 4.30, 7.15, **TCHELET:** Young Frankenstein; **AVIV:** The Four Musketeers; **RA** Scenes from a Marriage, 5.30, 8.45.

HAIFA
AMPHITHEATRE: Three Men and **ARMON:** That's Entertainment, 4, 6 **ATZMON:** Fear Over the City; **CHEN:** White and the 7 Dwarfs, 4, 6, 8; **M** Desire; **MORIAH:** Heroes of Telemark 9, mats. at 4 — Time Lock; **OHDAR** One's Son, 4, 6.45, 9; **OREN:** It'll be all Salomonika, Part II; **ORION:** The Tigers; **ORLY:** Chinatown, 6.30, 9, m 4, Song of the South; **PEER:** Snooker, only at 4; **RON:** Diamonds; **SHAVIT:** World, 6.45, 9.

RAMAT GAN
ARMON: The Great Gatsby, 7.15, **HADAR:** It'll be all right, Salomonika II, 7.30, 9.30; **LILI:** Casablanca, 7.15 mats. at 4 — Superstar Goofy; **OASIS:** Hood, 4, 6, 8; **ORDEA:** Diamonds, mat — The Funniest Man in the World; **R** Symphony of Death, 7.30, 9.30; **R** GAN: The Towering Inferno, 6, 9.

PETAH TIKVA
SHALOM: Snooker, 4, 7.30, 9.30, Wed. 4.

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TEL AVIV STOCKS

Shares show moderate rise

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Stocks rose moderately yesterday, index-linked bonds rose slightly, the Nafad dollar rose by two points. Only dollar-linked bonds fell. However, turnovers were not high.

The turnover in bonds was IL12,088,700. In stocks it was IL4,981,700, of which IL1,881,100 was in the variables.

Bank Leumi remained at 221.5 (volume: 215,000); Delek registered gained six to 210 (117,000); Shipping also gained six to 167 (19,000); Rassco ordinary gained five to 87.5 (56,000); Ellern bearer rose by four to 194 (7,000); Wolfson-Clore-Mayer IL10 lost 1.5 to 106.5 (17,000); Discount Investment rose by 3.5 to 221.5 (230,000); and Bank Leumi Investment lost three to 184 (131,000); Ata C, which went "ex" with a 10 per cent cash and a 15 per cent bonus dividend, rose by two points to 128 with a turnover of 85.

The demand for dollars was $68,000. At IL6.90 (up two points), some $145,000 was traded.

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Electric Corp. B	r	281	—
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Ozar 1965, Index 130.1	b	467	—
Mitahon 1968, Series 41	b	191	—
Mitahon 1969, Series 41	b	163	—
COMMERCIAL BANKS & BANKHOLDING COMPANIES			
Ozar Hityashvut	r	267	267
I.D.B pref.	r	325	325
I.D.B. Bankholding	r	315	315
Union Bank "A"	r	280.5	280
Discount Bank "A"	r	535	540
United Mizrahi Bank	b	162	160.5
Bank Hapoalim—10%	b	229	229
Bank Leumi "A"		221.5	221.5
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Gen. Mortgage Bank	b	329.5	329.5
Carmel Mortg. & Inv.	b	164.5	164.5
Dev. & Mortg. Bank	b	236	222
Housing Mortg. Bank	b	173	166
Tefahot 8%	—	268	264
Tefahot	b	260	261
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Ind. & Dev. Bank 8%	r	85	81.5
Aryeh	r	505	505
Hassneh Insurance	b	319.5	319.5
Sahar — "C"	b	274	278
COMMERCIAL SERVICES & UTILITIES			
Motor House	b	80	78
Delek C	r	210	204
Cold Storage—IL10	r	138.5	135
Israel Electric Corp.	r	188	186.5
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LAND, BUILDING DEVELOPMENT AND CITRUS			
Isoria	r	144.5	144
Africa Isr. IL10	r	338	282
Isr. Land Dev.	b	137	137
Solel Boneh—10%	b	167	167.5
Property & Building	r	222	222
Isras	b	140	140
Mehadrin	r	238	230
I.C.P. Isr. Citrus	r	115	115
Anglo-Isr. Investors	b	239	239
Neot Aviv	r	123	122
Pri Or Ltd.	r	180	180
Rassco—8%	r	119	117
Rassco—O.	r	87.5	83.5
INDUSTRIAL			
Alliance—B	r	632	630
Elco—6.5	b	141	140
Electra—5	r	186	188
Argaman—6%	b	314	311
Ata—C	r	126	128
Dubek	b	477	479
Elec. Wire & Cable	b	170	171
Teva		1150	1160
Chem. & Phosphates	r	215	210
Lewin Epstein	b	101	96
Moller Textile	r	303	300
Phoenicia—8%	b	100	100
Paper Mills	r	210	209
Assis "B"	r	242.5	242.5
Nechushtan	b	611	611
Elite (A)	r	378	378
Shemen—8%	b	188	188
"Taal" Plywood	b	135	131
INVESTMENT & HOLDING COMPANIES			
Elgar	b	111.5	109
Ellern	b	194	190
Israel Central Trade	r	190	190
Bank Hapoalim	b	220	219
Paz	b	138	138.5
Wolfson—IL10	b	106.5	108
Ampa	r	119	116.5
Discount Bank	b	223	221
United Mizrahi	b	143	140
Bank Leumi	r	184	187
Piryon Investment	r	168	166.5
Hassneh-For. Trade	r	98	97
Export Bank	b	84	80.5
Clal Investment	r	204	204
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WALL STREET — Closing, Wednesday, July 23, 1975

Broad decline

NEW YORK (AP). — The stock market declined broadly yesterday, weighed down by persistent concern over inflation and the interest rate outlook. Trading was moderate.

A forecast of an upturn in the gross national product from White House economist Alan Greenspan sparked a brief rally attempt late in the morning. But the best the Dow could manage was a plus-3 reading before it fell back again.

Due to transmission difficulties, the Wall Street stock list was not received last night.

Fortune telling is big business in Japan

TOKYO. — FORTUNE TELLING is one of Japan's most rapidly growing industries. It is big business and there is a seer to suit every pocket. Some of the leading members of the profession have waiting rooms and secretaries — in fact, the only way they differ from Western psychiatrists is that there is no couch.

Then there are street operators, who work mostly at night. You can see them in any main street in Japan, their little lanterns glimmering like so many oversize fireflies.

Most of the less important seers are palmists, but, if you are choosy, you can probably have the bumps on your head examined too.

Many large Japanese firms insist on all prospective employees being interviewed by their pet fortune-teller. If the worker passes the test, he is hired; if his or her fortune looks bad, it is thumbs down.

Actually, many seers are extremely skilled character-readers. One may be sceptical of predictions, but it is difficult to imagine that a man can sit every day for 50-odd years looking at dozens of faces a day through giant magnifying glasses, without acquiring some knowledge of human nature as reflected in the face. Japan's 200,000 or more seers are organized into a federation which tries to maintain some professional standards, allocates pitches and cuts down competition. But they are exceedingly reluctant to give any information about their income.

One thing, however, is certain, the average Japanese fortune-teller is not short of customers. The more important of them probably earn more money than a top industrial executive. Some of their customers will save for weeks to consult the best man available on some personal matter.

A pitch for the profession is near horse or cycle-racing tracks. Those seers bear no relationship to racing tipsters, but they often have more elaborate means of "finding the winners."

Fortune-telling is far from being confined to palmistry, face-reading and phrenology. One will foretell your fortune by taking various vital statistics and performing a series of calculations on the abacus. Others get results through astrology, graphology or fingerprints. Less conventional seers base their entire character reading on the customer's house number.

Japanese fortune-tellers do not use mediums: The service has nothing to do with the supernatural. There are no crystal balls either in Japanese predictions. But even among the seers it is difficult to find the answer to the question everybody asks: Do they really believe what they tell their customers?

The answer remains a mystery, but one fortune-teller who became his own customer must have found his belief badly shaken. He predicted that he was certain to be elected to Parliament in the 1969 general elections. He lost his deposit!

(World Feature Services).

Sterilization case causes uproar in Britain

By ED BLANCHE

LONDON.— A BRITISH JUDGE will rule next month whether an 11-year-old mentally retarded girl should be sterilized to eliminate the possibility that she would ever give birth to a deformed child.

The case has caused an uproar in Britain and in medical circles, where sterilization is a touchy issue. It has also raised far-reaching moral and social questions. Critics of sterilization claim that if a child can be sterilized for allegedly social reasons then thousands of other children and adults can suffer the same fate.

Judge Rose Heilbron's decision will have a major impact on doctors' freedom to decide what is best for a patient, whether a child has any rights, how far parents can go in deciding their children's future and how society cares for retarded children. It will also provide legal guidelines for the first time on sterilization, on which the law right now is vague and on which doctors to a great extent have to rely on their own moral and social judgements.

A spokesman for the National Council for Civil Liberties, which helped take the case to court to prevent the girl being sterilized, said "It is a classical example of conflict between human rights and expert judgement. It has many ramifications." One of these is in the argument over eugenics, the science of improving hereditary qualities through social control of human mating and reproduction. "There's very much an element of 'Brave New World' in this," the council spokesman said. "And it's not a direction in which we believe society should move."

The girl in the case, who under British law hasn't been named, was made a temporary ward of court last month after a whirlwind campaign by her school psychologist and the Civil Liberties Council to prevent her sterilization. The operation had been scheduled for a few days later.

Her doctors say she suffered a rare condition known as sotos syndrome, which causes big bone growth called "gigantism," behavioural problems and often mental retardation. They claimed she has reached puberty, is capable of becoming pregnant and could produce malformed children which a caring society should seek to prevent.

However, the case has been complicated by the split in medical opinion about the long-term effects of sotos syndrome. The case came to light when the psychologist, Margaret Hamidi, found out about the doctors' plans and objected. She works at the special school the girl attends in Sheffield.

"She is not mentally retarded," Hamidi declared. "She's clumsy and below average, but in the past two years she's improved considerably. She learned to swim, ride a cycle and walk upstairs normally."

One of the doctors, Ronald Gordon, retorted: "This girl can never be normal. She has a high chance of producing another abnormal child."

Gordon, a 60-year-old paediatrician with two normal children of his own, said the girl's mother had consented to allow the child to be sterilized and the girl herself understood the implications.

However, human rights lobbyist Donald Gould has declared: "Dr. Gordon cannot have it both ways. If the girl is as retarded as he would have us believe, then she certainly must be incapable of giving any kind of informed consent.

"But if she can appreciate the technical, personal and emotional issues involved then she must possess a degree of intelligence and power of reasoning which make the decision to deprive her of the chance of motherhood a monstrous-one-indeed."

(UPI)

M.I.T. scientist urges off-shore drilling here

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — Israel should be much more active in off-shore oil exploration, an M.I.T. scientist visiting the Technion told *The Jerusalem Post* this week. "The required investment is comparatively small, while the economic and strategic significance is great," Prof. Ernst G. Frankel, an ocean engineer, said.

During the past five years, off-shore drilling technology had made "tremendous advances," and it is now possible to drill for oil far beyond the continental shelf, at depths of up to 3,000 metres, he said, noting preliminary seismological studies here by the Oceanographic and Limnology Research Company, a Government agency, had found "very encouraging signs" beyond the continental shelf.

"It is already rather late, but not yet too late. Israel should immediately stake out a zone of economic interest in the sea off its shores, to the now accepted 200-mile limit, and learn as much as possible about resources in the stake area," he urged.

He noted that world-wide investment in off-shore oil exploitation had gone up from a paltry $200m. in 1965, to $5,800m. this year, under the impact of the energy crisis.

Asked whether the oil rig owners would come to Israel in view of the Arab boycott, Prof. Frankel emphasized, "You don't need the name companies with interests in Arab countries." At last year's annual Houston, Texas, conference on offshore technology, some 10,000 persons and 500 companies had participated. "Fewer than 100 of the companies do business in the Arab countries, and could undoubtedly be engaged by Israel. In this business you shouldn't advertise in the "New York Times," but quietly go about engaging the operators you need. You can get them."

Besides oil, off-shore waters might well contain other resources, and a team from the laboratory he directs at M.I.T. established several years ago that in the Red Sea, off Sinai, are tremendous reserves of manganese for the taking, though off-shore mining technology is still way behind oil drilling technology.

Prof. Frankel, is at the Technion for a month, at the institute's invitation, to help set up its new ship engineering programme.

ARMS. — The State Department confirmed on Tuesday it approved the sale of 1,000 American handguns to an arms dealer in Beirut four months ago. A Department official described the sale as a "small, normal transaction."

Court can offer only sympathy

THE SUPREME COURT dismissed an appeal against a decision of the Jerusalem District Court, delivered on January 18, 1973.

The appellants were owners of two respective plots on Mount Scopus. In January, 1968, the Minister of Finance acquired these plots for public purposes under the Land (Acquisition for Public Purposes) Ordinance, 1943, after duly publishing notice of his intention to do so in Reshumot. The Minister, however, neglected to serve a copy of this notice to the owners, as required by section 5 of the Ordinance, doing so only in October, 1968, by which time land on Mount Scopus had gone up considerably in value.

The appellants were unable to reach agreement with the State on the amount of compensation to be paid them and applied to the Jerusalem District Court to fix the compensation, arguing that the yardstick for compensation should be the value of the land in October, 1968, when they first received official notice that it had been acquired by the Minister of Finance.

The District Court regretfully dismissed this contention, on the grounds that section 12(b) of the Ordinance leaves no room for doubt that the compensation must be assessed in accordance with the value of the land at the time the notice of intention to acquire it was published in Reshumot — that is, in January, 1968.

Section 12 (b) provides that in estimating the compensation to be awarded for any land, "the value of the land shall be taken to be the amount which the land, if sold in the open market by a willing seller, might be expected to realize at the time when the Minister published in Reshumot the notice of intention to acquire the same." In the appeal against the District Court decision, Mr. A. Spaer appeared for the appellants and Mr. H. Berinson, Assistant State Attorney, for the respondent.

JUDGMENT

Justice Landau, who delivered the first opinion of the Supreme Court,

In the Supreme Court Sitting As Court of Civil Appeals
Before Justices Landau, Witkon and Kister.
1. Dov Yosef. 2. Maria Zondek, Appellants, v. State of Israel, Respondent (C.A. 57/73)

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Edited by Doris Lankin

Justice Kister concurring, first considered the appellants' invitation to the Supreme Court to take its courage into its own hands and hold that the compensations should be fixed in accordance with the value of the land at the time the court makes its assessment, in the light, first, of the fact that such compensation is usually paid only after protracted litigation in the courts, with the result that the inroads of inflation reduce its worth drastically if the date of the acquisition notice be deemed to be the operative one, and, secondly, of recent English precedents.

With all the sympathy which he might have for dispossessed landowners, he held, he could not accept this invitation as his hands were completely tied by the unambiguous wording of the law.

Justice Landau then went on to consider the appellants' application for damages because of the Minister's failure to fulfil his statutory duty to send the landowners a copy of the notice of intention to acquire their land at the time it was actually acquired. It should be recalled, he noted, that the Supreme Court held, in C.A. 457/64 (C.P.D. 19/540), that if the competent authority does not give the landowner the required notice under section 5, then the latter has a cause of action for damages, under section 63 of the Civil Wrongs Ordinance, on the grounds of a breach of statutory duty. He himself held that only the "natural increase" of the money lost due to the devaluation should be taken into account, without giving any consideration to the increase in value of the land due to external circumstances. This placed the landowner in exactly the same situation as he would have been if he had been given lawful notice of the acquisition of his land at the time prescribed by section 5, and had, at that time, purchased alternative land. However, he continued, both Justice Witkon and the District Court had expressed their doubts as to the fairness of linking the calculation of losses to the landowner exclusively to the depreciation in the value of money, and were of the opinion that it might possibly be more just in some cases to calculate the landowner's losses in accordance with the rise in the price of land. He, for his part, held Justice Landau, elected (save for certain exceptional cases) to associate the loss to the landowner solely with the devaluation of the currency, for two reasons: first, in order not to depart too much from the principle of evaluating the land at the time the notice of acquisition was published; and, secondly, because he preferred a rule which could be applied without any reference to the special circumstances of each individual case, the study of which would inevitably lead to complications and delays.

As to the manner of calculating the devaluation of the money, concluded Justice Landau, this had not been discussed in the Supreme Court precedents as it had not been at issue. But he was of the opinion that the best and fairest criterion for such a calculation was the cost-of-living index.

On the basis of the above conclusions, held Justice Landau, the appeal should be dismissed.

Justice Witkon

Justice Witkon concurred with Justice Landau's opinion concerning the interpretation of section 12 (b) of the Ordinance. In so far as the amount of compensation payable for the respondent's breach of his statutory duty was concerned, however, he had some dissenting comments to make.

The issue here was, he said, the basis in accordance with which the losses incurred by a landowner in consequence of the Treasury's failure to fulfil the requirements of section 5 of the Ordinance should be calculated. By analogy with the case of a debtor who fails to defray his debt at the appointed time, the answer to this question in England would be, he held, that the landowner was entitled to recover damages for losses reasonably within the contemplation of both parties at the time the bargain between them was made — and this rule was reflected in section 10 of the local contracts (Remedies for Breach of Contract) Law, 1970. However, he continued, the argument in the present case was not whether the fact that money lost its value with the passage of time was something which could reasonably be contemplated by the parties or not, since in a period of galloping deflation this was obvious, but how the value of money should be expressed. In other words, the issue was whether the value of money should be calculated in relationship to the cost-of-living index, or in relationship to the market price of land, or in relationship to some other criterion, and this question had not been settled in previous Supreme Court precedents.

The appellants had argued, continued Justice Witkon, that the fairest criterion would be the price of land at the time the acquisition was brought to their notice, and there is no doubt that if this argument were allowed, it would be greatly to their advantage, as the value of land on Mount Scopus went up by leaps and bounds after the Six Day War. He himself was of the opinion, he held, that although, in general, in the absence of any special cause to the contrary, the cost-of-living index was the most just and fair criterion, nevertheless he thought it should be applied only if its effect would be to restore the landowner to the same position as that in which he would have been if he had received his compensation for his acquisitioned land, without any delay, on the day it was acquired, and if its application could be reconciled with the rule of foreseeability quoted above.

As, however, he continued, there were occasions when both these requirements would not be met, he could see no justification for a general ban against assessing the damages payable to a landowner on the basis of the rise in the price of land, and for tying this assessment inseverably to the principle of devaluation of money. For it was not always desirable to apply simple and all-embracing formulae to the concept of justice. On the contrary, real justice sometimes requires variety and distinctions in line with the circumstances of each, individual case.

The particular case under consideration, however, concluded Justice Witkon, was a far cry from one in which it would be justifiable to hold that the competent authority should have foreseen that the appellants would have immediately bought other land in the same vicinity if they had known of the acquisition of their land at the proper time. Furthermore, the period of time which had elapsed before the appellants became aware of the fact that their land had been acquired was so short as to make it difficult to imagine that if they had received the notice in due time they would have received their compensation any earlier.

In short, he held, he concurred that the appeal should be dismissed and that the appellants were entitled to compensation only for the loss in value of their money on the basis of the cost-of-living index.

Appeal dismissed with IL500 costs.

Judgment given on June 15, 1975.

Kibbutz furniture

Jerusalem Post Reporter

GIVAT BRENNER. — The kibbutz furniture industry, which incorporates four kibbutzim, has signed a $450,000 contract to supply shelves to an American importer, said Ze'ev Rice, the manager of the Givat Brenner carpentry plant on Sunday. The other three kibbutzim are Netzer Sereni, Shomrat and Hazorea.

Rice claimed that the kibbutz carpentry industry, which is celebrating its 30th anniversary, could compete in international tenders because carpenters in general received high quality training, which allowed them to do special types of work. The turnover of the Givat Brenner plant this year was IL8.5m., which includes $200,000 in exports.

Unemployment up slightly

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Unemployment increased in the first quarter of this year and reached 35,000, or 3.5 per cent of the labour force. During the same period weekly working hours decreased from 39.4 to 38.9, the spokesman of the Central Bureau of Statistics said Tuesday.

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Our despoiled beaches

TOMORROW Israelis in the tens of thousands will again flock to the country's beaches oblivious to the crowds, the paddle balls, the pollution, the dangers of unguarded stretches, and the fact that after 27 years of statehood the country's coast line is a rapidly declining resource.

The three-cornered quarrel between the Ministry of Interior, Ministry of Health and the mayor of Bat Yam over the extent of pollution at the city's popular beaches only reflects the more general disarray that prevails between the various authorities who all have a hand in managing and mismanaging the beaches.

The Local Authorities have the most direct responsibility. Under pressure from interest groups, and prompted as well by a mania mislabelled development, they have mortgaged choice stretches of beach to private developers for hotels. As a result the public at large is denied available beaches, or areas that could be turned into popular beach fronts.

In addition they lend themselves to despoiling the natural attractions of beach fronts by enabling concessionaires to erect all manner of installations ranging from kiosks to night clubs, without controls designed to preserve the aesthetic features of the shore line.

For years the Ministry of Tourism, which is more sensitive than others to this depleting natural resource, has advocated establishing a national authority that would assume responsibility for the beaches. However, the Local Authorities have always opposed this proposal, and the Tourism Ministry has never been able or willing to try to muster the political clout that alone could bring about such a reform.

Just as the division of authority and the play of various vested interests has led to the deterioration of the coast line, so do they prevent development of new beaches. For this would require funds that go beyond what local councils can allocate or raise.

As a result the best that is achievable today is to wage a rear-guard action against polluters and other despoilers. Meanwhile, however, the crowds get bigger, access becomes harder, as the weekly police announcements about lack of parking space attest, and what was and should be a source of pleasure and relaxation for a large public turns into a form of torment.

Stemming the decline of our beaches is a race against time. There are no signs at all that we shall win it.

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Sadat's delaying tactics

DAVAR (Histadrut) praises the Canadian Government for its decision to ban the UN Conference on Crime Prevention which was set for September in Toronto because of the participation of the PLO, and for its call that the conference should not take place at all, anywhere, in these circumstances. "This was a courageous declaration on the part of a pro-UN state which has been one of the champions of the International Organization since its foundation, and which initiated the UNEF in 1956 — the voice of reason at a time when the USSR is encouraging the third world states to step up the campaign to oust Israel from the UN.

AL HAMISHMAR (Mapam) believes that even though Sadat was vague on the UNEF issue, one may assume that his reply will be in the affirmative. "It would be illogical for him to act otherwise following the Security Council resolution which was formulated in coordination with Egypt."

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Was this journey really necessary?

Except for the cordial receptions given by the mayors of Bonn and West Berlin, Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin's recent visit to Germany was a rather lukewarm affair, reflecting European disappointment with his ideas for a 'gradual' Middle East settlement, writes Post correspondent Ze'ev Schiff, who covered the event.

WAS THE JOURNEY really necessary? The final meetings with U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger and Chancellor Helmut Schmidt had been concluded. The Star of David had been hauled down and the last of the helicopters had lifted off, bound for Cologne Airfield where, as the programme had it, Israel Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin was due for a formal leave-taking "with full military honours."

The visit was over, and the magic press card that had gained us entry into places forbidden to ordinary mortals was just another piece of paper now. All we were left with were our own conclusions: that, in fact, precious little had happened.

Germany had wagged its finger at us. Henry Kissinger had come to listen, and Yitzhak Rabin had not been in a mood for concessions.

It was clear that nobody seemed to like Mr. Rabin's idea of a gradual and possibly prolonged interim phase as the next step towards a Middle East settlement. The "Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung" — which reveals today what the Bonn Foreign Ministry admits only tomorrow — said this was so.

Officially, Mr. Rabin's four-day visit to the Federal Republic did of course have purposes other than the discussion of the Middle East situation. Ten years of diplomatic relations between the two countries were to be capped by this first-ever visit of an Israel Prime Minister to Germany.

It was to complete a cycle of what the German Foreign Office likes to refer to as the normalization of relations between the two countries. Yitzhak Rabin constantly referred to "a bridge to the future without forgetting the past." He said it at Bergen-Belsen. He said so again at the Palais Schaumburg, at Schmidt's official reception and also at Villa Hammerschmidt, where he called on President Scheel.

SEEN FROM A purely subjective point of view, the most important meeting of all was of course the one between the two Jewish statesmen, German-born Kissinger and sabra Rabin. In spite of the fact that Mr. Rabin had little in the way of new concessions to offer, Mr. Kissinger — incidentally an immensely popular figure in Germany — had found it worth his while to fly down from the Geneva disarmament conference.

But whatever the outcome of the Rabin-Kissinger talks, by the conclusion of the Rabin visit there were few if any questions left as to the past, present and future of the Israel-German relationships.

Even before Rabin's arrival the Germans had made it clear that they liked Foreign Minister Allon, especially his declaration during his visit earlier that he considered himself among friends.

Rabin was more reserved, but raised his glass spontaneously in a toast to friendship between the countries at a farewell dinner at Gymnich Castle. The openness of the gesture was particularly appreciated.

AN EXCEPTIONAL welcome was accorded to the Rabins at the Bonn (baroque pink and gold stucco facade) municipality by the city's youthful Mayor Daniels. The mayor showed extreme cordiality, and it was the same in Berlin, with that staunch friend of Israel, Mayor Klaus Schuetz.

Elsewhere, the Israel Prime Minister was received in a manner which the Germans define as *korrekt*. But considering the nature of the visit — and it was an historic occasion — it is debatable whether the subdued tone of Mr. Rabin's visit was deliberate.

Apart from Axel Springer's chain — "Die Welt" in particular — Mr. Rabin was given a mixed reception by the press. What "might have been" was best demonstrated by the fanfare on Dr. Nahum Goldmann's eightieth birthday. Such prestigious publications as "Die Zeit," the "Frankfurter Allgemeine," and, of course, "Die Welt" all gave him near full-page spreads. But then Nahum Goldmann has always been a German favourite. From his current Geneva residence come words of "moderation" which are balm to European ears.

I WAS ABLE to speak to two authoritative sources in the Foreign Ministry. Both of them said, in effect, that the visit was an opportunity for Israel to "make amends" for the collapse of the Kissinger shuttle in March. This, they said, was the general opinion of the nine EEC member countries, who now consider the Middle East as part of their own "threshold."

The course taken by the Nine was absolute support of the Kissinger initiative and step-by-step policy and the UN Security Council's Resolution 242, reinforced by one of their own November 1973 resolutions, adding recognition of the "legitimate rights of the Palestinians." A new development, however, at least so far as Germany was concerned, was noted. While Germany had originally been reluctant to affix its stamp of approval to the Nine resolution, it had now become its principal advocate — replacing even France — as befits a nation now leading the West European community.

It has been made clear that barring any major Israeli military "initiatives," the Nine will continue to assist Israel financially as well as help its integration into Europe within the framework of the EEC agreement. The press, however, emphasized that Europe can ill afford another oil crisis and that this should be the primary concern of the European community.

YITZHAK RABIN LEFT Germany almost as unobtrusively as he had entered it. No public, no brass band, except for the playing of the national anthems (and the Bonn experience, which showed that it could have been different).

Our Prime Minister is not much of an actor on the diplomatic stage. After the flashing smiles of Henry Kissinger, who bounded out of his helicopter and rushed towards Rabin as to a long-lost friend, his expressions of elation were rarely long enough to please the photographers. He seemed almost gloomily unapproachable at times.

And so Yitzhak and Leah Rabin left Germany "with full military honours." I never saw it screened on the TV news round-up. Perhaps it was. But the Soyuz-Apollo meeting had already taken over the headlines and everything was precisely where it had been before.

Reviewing a West German guard of honour at Palais Schaumburg in Bonn.

The many ugly faces of the Arab boycott

By AARON SITTNER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

THE ARAB BOYCOTT has many ugly faces and the ugliest of all belong to a handful of large U.S. banks and shipping companies, says Arnold Forster, general counsel of the American Bnai Brith's Anti-Defamation League.

The Ford Administration is blocking legislation that could knock the Arab boycott off its feet, claimed Forster in an interview with *The Jerusalem Post* this week. Forster also assailed the World Jewish Congress and its head, Nahum Goldmann, for "their bald *chutzpa* in announcing they would henceforth lead the fight against the Arab boycott and invite us to join in.

"Why the ADL launched the 'Battle of the Boycott' back in 1952, and has virtually been the only organization in the fray since then," he added. Though generally recognized as a conservative Jewish fraternal organization, Bnai Brith is committed — and very steadfastly so — to a relentless war on the Arab boycott. Says Forster: "The boycott is not an ephemeral economic act. It is a potent political bludgeon with which the Arabs hope to destroy the State of Israel. This is bald anti-Semitism, and we do not intend to stand by doing nothing."

Abetting the boycott more than anyone else, he claims, are such banks as Chase Manhattan, First National City, Chemical-New York Trust, Irving Trust and Bankers Trust.

"They do this by buckling under to the Arabs' demand that they furnish the infamous 'certificate of compliance' along with the other commercial documents required to pay letters of credit. And such reputable shipping firms as Waterman, American-Isbrandtsen and Lykes are also playing along."

On the other hand, several multi-national corporations have stood up in the face of the Arab boycott to prove it is a paper tiger. Forster said these include: ITT, Coca-Cola, IBM, NCR, Westinghouse, Hilton and Xerox.

"Even companies not doing business in Israel somehow get onto the Damascus blacklist," he noted. However, "when a member country of the Arab League realizes it needs the company it merely looks the other way and no action is taken."

The Anti-Defamation League repeatedly appears before U.S. Congressional Committees to testify on behalf of bills aimed at making compliance with the Arab boycott a federal crime.

"UNFORTUNATELY, these bills are doomed to failure," Forster says wryly. "And why? Because representatives of such key Executive departments as State, Treasury, Commerce and Justice actually testify against such legislation. Hinting at a White House veto, they keep on sounding the line that the boycott will disappear the moment the Middle East dispute is settled."

On another front, however, ADL has achieved a measure of success. Thanks to the strong U.S. Civil Rights Act, headway is being made against discriminatory employment practices by American firms recruiting workers for jobs in Arab countries.

Last month the organization filed suit against four firms which specified that Jews need not bother applying for jobs — Aramco Service Company, Bendix-Siyanco, Hospital Corporation of America and International Schools Service. Three weeks ago the last-named firm, a teacher placement agency, announced it agrees to cease issuing job orders barring teachers who have "Jewish surnames or Jewish ancestors."

READERS' LETTERS

Armenian pottery in Jerusalem

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Dear Sir, — An American friend in Jerusalem has sent me a cutting of an article in *The Jerusalem Post*, entitled "The Armenians" (June 27) which I found interesting, perceptive and warm. However, may I draw your attention to a factual misrepresentation regarding the establishment of Armenian pottery in Jerusalem, and provide some little-known information on the Armenian ceramist's art to be found in the churches, hospices, and public buildings of Jerusalem.

Armenian pottery was established in Jerusalem in 1919 by my father, David Ohannessian, an already renowned ceramist with works in Turkey, Egypt and England, and perhaps the last of the great craftsmen of the old school. After World War I, the family had landed in Jerusalem and my father had been asked by the British authorities to help Mr. Ernest T. Richmond, a British architect then Director of Antiquities, to study the decorative tiles of the Dome of the Rock, some of which my father later repaired.

The result was that my father returned to Keutahia, Turkey, and with rail transportation provided by the British authorities, brought back initial materials and a handful of workers skilled in the various aspects of pottery making. They were all Armenian, and their ancestors for many centuries (probably since the 13th) had made pottery in Keutahia. The father of Mr. Balian (whom you mention in your article) was one of these, as was his future wife, Mr. Balian's mother. They married soon after arrival and left us to start on their own.

My father was at first given the use of a 19th century kiln in the Temple area for experimentation, but with help from local authorities soon established his own pottery works known as Dome of the Rock Tiles near the Third Station of the Cross on the Via Dolorosa. I remember, as a child, Sir Ronald Storrs, then Governer of Jerusalem, with a group of visitors, often entering the factory and calling at the top of his voice for "Baron Ohannessian!" to the puzzlement of his distinguished guests. ("Baron" is the equivalent of "Mr." in Armenian.)

My father left Jerusalem in 1948, but he had made an international name for himself and produced an astonishing amount of work before that time. Virtually all the major pieces of his work are masterpieces and scattered all over the world. In 1926 he had won the Gold Medal in the Wembley Exhibition (I believe the Pro-Jerusalem Society exhibited his work for him) and in 1931 he had won the *Diploma de Grand d'Honneur* at the Colonial Exhi[illegible] in Paris.

His chief works are, of cours[illegible] beautiful tiles with whic[illegible] decorated surfaces — both ou[illegible] and indoor — and not the exq[illegible] vases, plates and so on whic[illegible] made for the tourist. Exampl[illegible] his tiles in Jerusalem includ[illegible] following: (a) The mosaic do[illegible] the fountain alcove in [illegible] Archeological Museum Jerusalem (Rockefeller), [illegible] several panels at the Ame[illegible] Colony Hostel, (c) several pan[illegible] St. Andrews Scottish Church [illegible] Hospice, (d) the large orie[illegible] fireplace in what used to be the [illegible] Commissioner's Residence, an[illegible] the altar of St. Saviour's Arme[illegible] Church on Mount Zion.

There are a number of others [illegible] portant among them are the ori[illegible] street names in the Old City w[illegible] were made by my father, [illegible] believe many were damaged d[illegible] the troubles and replaced by th[illegible] lesser quality, I do not know [illegible] whom.

It is possible that pieces of [illegible] pottery may still be found at [illegible] American Colony Store (our m[illegible] outlet) or the older-established [illegible] tique shops in Jerusalem but [illegible] are rare and expensive.

(MS.) SIRARPI OHANNESS[illegible]
Washington, D.C., July 13.

National day of mourning

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — May I comment upon Moshe Kohn's fine article in your issue of July 16, advocating that we should incorporate in the liturgy of Tisha B'Av, the National Day of Mourning, elegies and memorial prayers for the victims of the Holocaust and for Israel's Fallen, instead of instituting separate days of remembrance for them which are observed less and less.

As he says, the suggestion is not new and I am among those who have pleaded for it in the past. May I, however, draw attention to attempts which have been made in this direction but which have not taken root. One is the most moving elegy "Eli, Eli, Nafshi Bechi" by Yehuda Bialer, on the Six Million. It has official imprimatur and was first published by the Chief Rabbinate of Warsaw and the Jewish Community Organization of Poland in 1948. It was again published by Hechal Shlomo, the "Seat of the Chief Rabbinate," and by the Union of Israel Synagogues in 1967. Despite that fact, I am willing to wager that it was not read in any of the three congregations which are housed in Hechal Shlomo or in a single one of the synagogues of the Union. The only organisation I know which has adopted it is the Movement for Tora Judaism which has incorporated it in its revised Kinnot and it has been said at the small Minyan held on Tisha B'av until this year in the home of Prof. Ephraim E. Urbach. The same Kinnot conclude with Agnon's Preface to Kaddish in memory of Israel's Fallen.

In another, but similar context, the "Authorised Edition" of Selichot for England, published with an English translation with the sanction of the then Chief Rabbi, Sir Israel Brodie, includes a Selicha composed by the Editor, Rev. A. Rosenfeld, and S. Funadminsky on the Six Million, to be incorporated in the Selichot of the Tenth of Tevet. Has anyone heard of it being recited?

The reason for the failure to adopt them is bound up with the sad fact of the absence of any religious authority whose rulings are accepted as binding and final.

LOUIS I. RABINOWITZ
Jerusalem, July 17.

The sale of bread

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — I did not realize until I went on Civil Guard duty in the early hours of the morning that loaves of bread, baked earlier in the night, were deposited outside shops, unprotected, unguarded and exposed to all kinds of dirt.

I see from your report of July 9 that Haifa sanitary inspectors have been ordered to confiscate bread lying outside grocery shops. Is it not time the same measures were taken in Tel Aviv? It is bad enough that bread is sold mostly unwrapped and from self-service counters, where many customers squeeze several loaves for freshness and crispness before finally making their choice.

FRED B. TARSCHIS
Tel Aviv, July 12.

Jews believe in God

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — In the announcement, "Sanctification Day: Tisha B'Av Prayer Vigil" (July 16), sponsored by the "Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Activist Organizations," the rise of the Jewish State is attributed to a decree by "the Jewish God of Israel."

As far as I know, only Christians speak of a Jewish God, whereas Jews believe in God.

PROF. YESHAYA LEIBOWITZ
Jerusalem, July 16.

Land of Israel

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — A small point. Your report on the hunger-strikers outside the Prime Minister's Office (July 8) refers to some of the strikers as members of "the Greater Israel Movement." The group referred to is evidently the "Land of Israel Movement" of which I am a founder-member. We have been registered as such since our inception at the end of 1967. If we had chosen — as we did not — a literal translation of our Hebrew appellation, we should perhaps have written: "The Movement for an Undivided Land of Israel" — but certainly not "Greater" which would have suggested (as our detractors mean to suggest) that we are not satisfied with the Land of Israel as we have it today, but want more.

PROFESSOR HAROLD FISCH
Petah Tikva, July 8.

Brighter side

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — Complaints from our ever-critical society, such as "Never has our beautiful country been so full of dirt everywhere" (Tamar Dikan, July 15), are certainly in abundance in these fine days of strife and strikes. Sure, there is always place for improvement and I'd be the last to say that this country is clean.

However, for those that think that there is dirt everywhere, may I suggest a walk along Rehov Ruppin (starting from Shderot Herzl). It will not take too long before you'll benefit from the real efforts made by Jerusalem's Municipality to keep our city as special as ever. The flowering rose-beds all along the central isle and in the gardens opposite the Israel Museum act as a symbolic red carpet to Gan Sacher and the Valley of the Cross. Whoever heard of roses in bloom in the middle of a desert summer?

LESLIE MIRKIN
Jerusalem, July 15.

Smoking and heart disease

To the Editor of The Jerusalem [illegible]

Sir, — In your issue of July [illegible] published an interview with D[illegible] C. Seltzer, in which he pres[illegible] some theories which cann[illegible] accepted.

First of all, some of the findin[illegible] the so-called Framingham s[illegible] based on the article of T. Gor[illegible] W.B. Kannel, and D. McGee (La[illegible] No. 7393, 7/12/74, p. 1345) are [illegible] reported correctly. Nowhere [illegible] this article report that smokers [illegible] stopped smoking have a much h[illegible] rate of heart disease than those [illegible] never smoked. It only emphas[illegible] several times that smokers [illegible] stopped smoking have a lower [illegible] cidence of heart disease than t[illegible] who continued smoking. Furt[illegible] more, the Framingham study [illegible] not claim that smokers, who sm[illegible] 20 cigarettes a day, have less h[illegible] disease than those who smoke [illegible] On the contrary, those who smok[illegible] cigarettes or less, have less h[illegible] disease than those who smok[illegible] cigarettes a day.

If, as Dr. Seltzer advocates, [illegible] look at the hard facts, we find, [illegible] smokers have 30 per cent more h[illegible] disease than non-smokers or t[illegible] who stop smoking. I agree with [illegible] that we do not yet understand [illegible] the reason for this, but the [illegible] remains nevertheless. If Dr. Sel[illegible] believes that smokers and [illegible] smokers are different types of [illegible] sons, he may be right in some ca[illegible] but this theory is no more pro[illegible] than the others discarded by hi[illegible]

Most probably smoking alone d[illegible] not cause heart disease, but it su[illegible] contributes to it.

DR. L. WECHSL[illegible]
Haifa, July 13.

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